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PREFACE

This volume completes the reproduction in type of the records contained in the earliest book now in the possession of the city, mainly used for probate proceedings of the town, a description of which may be found in the preface of Volume VI. of this printed series.

Transcripts of certain instruments relating to estates which came before the town council during the time that the manuscript book was in use, and which for some reason do not appear upon the town records, have been added in an Appendix.

For convenience and to avoid reference to other volumes the commissioners would state that the printing of this volume, like its predecessors, is authorized under several resolutions of the City Council of Providence, the first of which was approved March 6, 1891, and is as follows:

"Resolved, That Horatio Rogers, George M. Carpenter, and Edward Field, are hereby appointed record commissioners, who shall serve without compensation, for the purpose of collecting and printing the early records of the town of Providence. And said commissioners are hereby authorized to

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expend the sum of one thousand dollars for collecting and printing said records, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for printing."

In the printing of this volume the same signs have been used as in former volumes, and for convenience the explanations thereof are repeated here.

The figures at the top of the pages, and enclosed in brackets, indicate the paging of this present volume.

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In very many cases the marks or signs manual made by illiterate persons to instruments, in lieu of their own proper written signatures, are reproduced in fac-simile on the records by the recording officer, but in print in this volume these signs are usually represented by an X, being the conventional sign commonly used for that purpose.

Four indexes follow the text in this book, viz.: an Index to Names; an Index to Indian Names; an Index to Subjects; and a Miscellaneous Index.

HORATIO ROGERS,
GEORGE M. CARPENTER,
EDWARD FIELD.

PROVIDENCE, December, 1894.

WILLS &c.

NO. 1

[PART TWO]

[172] At a meeteing of ye Towne Councill may ye 19th 1710. /

This day Richard Arnold John Arnold & Thomas Arnold sons of ye deceased Richard Arnold have Exhibbeted an Jnventary of the sd Richd Arnold (their ffather) his Estate desireing ye Councills Examination thereof; The which sd Jnventary hath this day by ye Councill been Examined. /

Sarah Arnold, widdow of ye sd deceased Richd Arnold, & Richd Arnold & John Arnold & Thomas Arnold sons of ye sd deceased Richard Arnold all before ye Councill made oath to ye said Jnventarey; so also did Joseph Jenckes jun^r^ & Samuell Comestock as to their Appriseall thereof;

As also together with ye sd Jnventarey the sd Richard Arnold, John Arnold & Thomas Arnold, sons of ye sd Captn Richd Arnold (deceased) presented ye Councill with a written paper beareing date ye 8th day of June 1708, signed Richard Arnold & sealed, & in ye begining of the paper it is worded; I Richard Arnold of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland &c, Do make & appoynt this my last Will & Testament; but there was not one witness to ye sd. Writeing Jn which writeing it is also by words Certified how he would have all his houseing & lands & moveable Estate disposed of; & also did Nominate his three sons, Richard Arnold John Arnold & Thomas Arnold, & by that writeing made them his Executors Joyntly; The which writeing the Councill haveing well perused, & Considering that by a statute made in the Reign of King Charles the Second it is strictly Required that to Each Will there should be thre or foure Wittnesses, but unto this written paper there was not so much as one Witness, Neither would any Persons make oath unto it that it was sd

Captn Arnolds last will & Testament; and the law Requireing the Councill to act according as the lawes direct; the Councill doe not see Cause to allow of the sd written paper for ye last will & Testament of ye said Captn Richard Arnold by Proveing of it, but leave it as it is, only Concludeing it to be very good directions for his said sons to follow as Concerning what in sd Paper is Contained; But as there was an Jnventarey of sd Captn Richd Arnold his Estate | was | Exhibbited to the Councill; as abovesd; The Councill Tend|e|red the Administeration of sd Estate unto Sarah Arnold, widdow of sd Captn Arnold, but shee Refused | it, | whereupon the Councill granted the Administration of sd Estate unto Richard Arnold, John Arnold & Thomas Arnold sons of ye sd deceased Richard Arnold for them, (as Persons next Related to him) legally to Administer thereon. / The meeteing is adjorned unto Tuesday ye 30th instant. /

Tuesday may ye 30th 1710 the Councill meeteing is againe in being by adjornement from may ye 19th 1710. /

This day Richard Arnold, John Arnold, & Thomas Arnold sons of ye deceased Captn Richd Arnold, have given in bond to the Councill for their legall Administration on their ffather sd Captn Arnold his Estate. /

Ordred that Tho: Olney, Clerk of ye Councill, shall on the Councills behalfe signe & seale a letter of Administration, to Richard Arnold, John Arnold, & Thomas Arnold to Administer on the Estate of their sd deceased ffather Captn Richd Arnold:

A letter of Administration was on ye Councills behalfe, by Tho: Olney Clerk, was unto Richd Arnold, John Arnold & Thomas Arnold, sons of sd Captn Arnold, signed & sealed. /

The meeting is desolved. /

Here ffolloweth the Record of the | written | Paper signed Richard Arnold & sealled, the which was presented to ye Councill by Richard Arnold, John Arnold, & Thomas Arnold sons of ye deceased Captn Richard Arnold. /

I Richard Arnold of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland, &c, being aged & something Oasey of Body; but of sound & perfect Memory, thankes be to God; but Considering the uncertainty of this life, & not knowing how soone it may please God to take me out of this world I am willing to do something for the setling of that small Estate I have to dispose of; And therefore do make & Appoynt this my last will & Testament as ffolloweth. ffirst I give to Sarah my wife for the Terme of her naturall life my two lotts in the Towne with the orchard & house upon them & also my meadow at the West River which I bought of Edward Manton, and after my said wifes decease, to be, both the lotts & said [173] said Meaddow unto my three sons Richard Arnold, John Arnold & Thomas Arnold; their Heirs or Assignes forever: I also give to my sd wife two Cowes, & one third part of my household goods here in the Towne & all the Estate that was hers before I Married with her; Jtem, I give to my aforesaid son Richard Arnold all the land within his fence where he now dwelleth at Wansoket on ye East side ye litle River to be to him his Heirs or Assignes for Ever; Jtem, I give to my | said | son John Arnold all the land within his fence where he now dwelleth, with my Jntrest & part of ye saw mill at the falls, as also the slang of Meaddow he vseth to mow being with|in| fence on ye East side the little River with the Piece of Meaddow Called the Jsland Joyneing on ye west side the little River; bounded on ye norwest with the ditch, & on ye south with the draine; to be

to the said John Arnold his Heirs or Assignes for Ever; And all the rest of lands adjoyneing belonging to me at wansoket with my ffarme Granted by ye Towne lieing on ye west side the branch of Pautuckett River I give to my said two sons Richard & John Arnold to be Equally devided betweene them & theirs for Ever; Jtem, I give to my son Thomas Arnold all my land adjoyneing at the place where he now dwelleth on that lieth on both sides the High Way that leades from the Towne | to | Loquasqussuck, with the house & other buildings on said ffarme; that part of said ffarme lieing on ye North East sidee said High Way is bounded on ye south west with said High Way, on ye norwest part with | the | Land belonging to Edward Smith & his Brothers, & partly with land laid out to William Whipple, & on ye north bounded with the land of John Dexter, & on the south East with Eliezer Arnold; And that on ye south west side the said Highway, bounded on the south East with ye land of said Eliezer Arnold, & on the south West with land belonging to Thomas Olney, & on ye Norwest, partly with land belonging to John Angell & partly with Common or vndevided land neere unto land laid out formerly to Epenetus Olney; The sd land I give to my said son Thomas Arnold, his Heirs and Assignes forever, he Paying the severall sums as followeth; That is to say, ffifteene Pounds in Money to his Brother Richard Arnold, & Tenn Pounds to his Brother John Arnold, & Twenty five Pound to his sister mary steere; Jtem, I Give to Thomas Steere that Piece of land belonging to me which lieth at the bent of ye River below ye Bridge neere Thomas Steere his Meaddow; And my will is, that Thomas Steere shall have halfe the mills at Naspatuckett, And the other halfe of said

Mills, with the ffarme now in the hands of Elisha Smith, the Effects of said Mill & ffarme to be to my Executors hereafter named, And my Right in Com|m|on or vndevided lands with all other lands belonging to me, not before specified, I give to be Equally devided to my sd Executors; And my will is, That Toby my Negro Servant, serve with my son Thomas Arnold till he Come to the age of Twenty five yeares which will be in ffebruary the yeare 1716 or 1717; And that my sd son do then set him free, & give him two suits of Apparill, a good Narrow Axe, a broad hoe, & a sithe with Tackling fitt for Moweing, & Twenty shillings in money; And I do make my three sones, Richard Arnold John Arnold, & Thomas Arnold Joynt Executors of this my last Will & Testament; Jn Witness hereof I hereunto set my hand & seale, this Eigth day of June, 1708:

Richard Arnold

On the back side of the Paper in which what is above written & signed Richard Arnold is Contained; it is Endorsed as followeth,

Whereas Captn Richard Arnold of the Towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland Jsland, &c. departed this life Aprill ye Twenty second 1710, & leaveing a Witten Paper behind him which signified how his desire was that his lands & other his Estate should be disposed of; The which writeing is Contained on the Other side of this paper; in the begining of it being worded; Do make & appoynt this my last will & Testaments: The which sd written Paper, upon the 19th day of may 1710 being Exhibitted to the Towne Councill of Providence for their Examination thereof; the which said Paper was by the sd Councill perused, but Not proved for a will, but

left as it was, as by their Records may appeare Concludeing it to be good directions for those | who, | were Concerned with the sd Captain Richard Arnold his lands & Estate to act according thereunto; And Wee Rich Arnold John [**174**] John Arnold & Thomas Arnold sons of the aforesd, Captn Richard Arnold, & mentioned in sd written paper Joynt Executors, & Conserned with ye said Richard Arnold our ffather his lands & Estate, Do all Mutually agree & fully detirmine to Proceede and Act with the same according to the directions in the said written Paper given, Enjoyneing ourselves & our Heirs, Executors, Administrators & Assignes, accordingly to Rest satisfied; Jn Witness whereof wee do hereunto set our hands this thirtieth day of may in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & Tenn:

Signed in the presence of the Towne Councill of Providence, Attests
Jos: Jenckes Assistant. /

Richard Arnold
John Arnold
Thomas Arnold. /

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of ye Estate of ye deceased Cap^{tn} Rich^{d}: Arnold;

Providence may ye 12th 1710.

A true Jnventarey of all & singular the Goods chattels & cattell of Captaine Richard Arnold, who departed this life on 22th of Aprill last past. /

		lb	s	d
Jmprimis	to his weareing Apparill	16:	–08:	–00
Jtem:	To kash	15	–09	–10
Jtem,	To Deers Leath: 24^{s}, a Turky work'd Carpit 30^{s}	02	–14	–00
Jtem	To linnen Cloath 22^{s}, A frying Pann 7^{s}	01	–09	–00
Jtem	To Carpenters Tooles 31^{s}, to nailes 10^{s}, to a sledge & one old hoe 7^{s}	02	–08	–00

Jtem	To a bedsteed 12^{s}, an old sadle, portmantle 12^{s}	01–04–00
Jtem	To 2 Axes, a hoe & a Crow	00–14–08
Jtem	To a Tenant saw & an old hoe 7^{s}, & 4 Augers 8^{s}	00–15–00
Jtem	To two Cowes & two Calves	05–12–00
Jtem	To severall perticulars at Wanasquatuckett	04–02–06
Jtem	To a bed pan 14^{s}, to 2 Rasors, 3^{s}, to one horse 5^{lb}, to a ℔ deviders 2^{s}	05–19–00
Jtem	To Pewter, brass & other goods at his son Thomas his house	09–01–10
	To more goods and Old Jron at Thomas his house	02–10–00
	To goods at the Towne;	
Jtem	To one bed, bolster & two Blanketts	06–10–00
Jtem	To one bed, bolster & two blanketts	08–05–00
Jtem	To a Set of greene Curtains 25^{s}, & other beding 3^{lb}	04–05–00
Jtem	To one Chest, with linnen, Bokes, scoales, weights, stilliards & Tinn boxes, with many other small things in it	05–11–06
Jtem	To one Trunke with many pieces of Pewter & other things | in it |	02–01–00
Jtem	To Pork & Cheese, & two old brass Kittles & a skollett	01–11–00
Jtem	To a deske with some Bookes	00–14–06
Jtem	To Old Caske, Chaires, a Kettle, & a Chest	01–18–00
Jtem,	To one bedd, partly filled, & old beding	02–15–00
Jtem,	To fire shovell & Tongs 7^{s}, 2 ℔ Trammills 9^{s},a warming Pann, 10^{s}, 2 Kettles 2^{lb}	03–06–00

Jtem,	To Jron Potts, 11^{s}, to a Candlestick & a skellet 5^{s} Pewter Potts 7^{s} 6 : Tinn waare 2^{s}	01–05–06
Jtem,	To a great glass Bottle 3^{s}, & severall other small things 5^{s}	00–08–00
Jtem,	To a Chest & other old lumber 17^{s}	00–17–00
Jtem,	To a dram Cup 7^{s}, & thre Meale baggs 12^{s}	00–19–00
Jtem,	To other small things	00–02–06
Jtem,	To a bedd steed & bedding	01–07–06
Jtem:	To goods in ye house at Towne	05–00–06
		46–17–0
Jtem,	To Armes, Tooles, Old Jron, &c^{t}. Not household goods	08–12–00
Jtem,	To horse kind & one Cow the which we see not To two two yeare olds, & one yeare old	10–00–00
		134–05–10

The above written is a True apprisement according to the best of our Judgements, Apprised on ye 12th & 19th Jnstant, Sarah Arnold widdow Providence 19th, ℘ us, Jos: Jenckes jun^{r}: of ye abovesd deceased may 1710 Samuell Comestock. / Richard Arnold & Richard Arnold, & John Arnold, & Thomas Arnold, the sons of said Captn Richd Arnold have made Oath unto ye abovesd Jnventary, that it Containes all his Moveable Estate as they know of, & if more Come to their knowledge it shall afterwards be added; Joseph Jenckes jun^{r}, and Sam^{ll} Comestock, who were ye apprisers have also made oath to ye Apprisall: May ye 19th 1710, at a Councill meeteing of the Towne Councill of Providence the abovesaid Jnventary was Examined by said Councill; Attests, Tho: Olney Clerk. / Here followeth what hath been Added to ye within Jnventary

after ye Appriseall made; (viz) To shingles
& horse chains 00–07–00
To old Jron 00– 0–05

[175] Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration Granted by ye Towne Councill to Richar Arnold John Arnold & Thomas Arnold, sons of Captn Richard Arnold, for to Administer on their ffather Captn Richd Arnold (deceased) his Estate. /

Whereas you Richard Arnold, John Arnold, & Thomas Arnold of ye Towne of Providence, in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations, &c, the sons of the deceased Captn Richard Arnold, formerly of said Providence: haveing manifested yourselves to be Willing to take Administration on your sd deceased ffather Captn Richard Arnold | his | Estate, and haveing given in bond to ye Councill of the Towne of Providence for the true faithfull & legall Administration thereon; Wee the Towne Councill of sd Providence Do now by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt to you Richard Arnold, John Arnold, & Thomas Arnold, sons of ye sd deceased Captn Richard Arnold, full Power of Administration on ye Estate of your said ffather, thereon to Administer, & therein to act, Do & performe in your Administration on the said Estate in all Poynts according as the law doth Require Administrators in such Cases to do & performe, And to Render an account unto ye Towne Councill of said Providence from time to time of your Actings and performance therein, when by ye Councill it shall be Required.

Dated at a Towne Councill meeteing, May ye 30th: 1710. / held by Adjornment. /

By order of ye Councill & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk: /

At a meeteing of the Towne Councill june ye 19th 1710. / Whereas Hannah Wilkenson, daughter of the deceased Josiah Wilkinson of this Towne of Providence hath an Estate belonging to her which Proceeded to her by her ffather the aforesaid deceased Josiah Wilkinson, & is Contained in lands & other Estate; or to say, in lands & other Estate doth Consist; And the Towne Councill formerly haveing appoynted two Overseers (as Guardians, or Tutors, to take the Care & wardshipp of ye Heireis & her Estate that it might be improved (as well as they might) for her advantag|e| but it haveing so fallen that both those aforesd overseeirs are dead, whereby the said heiris was at a loss, but was advised to address herselfe to ye Towne Councill for Reliefe; whereupon the said Hannah Wilkinson this day came before the Councill desireing of them that they Would Admitt of Mr Eliezer Arnold of sd Providence to be her Guardian for the Tuition of her & the Care & ordering concerning her Estate; The Councill then proposed ye matter to ye said Eliezer Arnold; he accepted thereof; whereupon the Councill then did Order & appoynt the said Eliezar Arnold to be Guardion to the said Hannah Wilkinson; | & | into his Custody to take her Estate, & therewith to act & do for her best advantage Every way for the secureing & promoteing thereof for her vse, as the law doth Require a Guardian to doe; vnto the premises the said Eliezer Arnold did then, before ye Councill give his Engagement. /

And whereas there was a deede of Gift from Lawrance wilkinson (who is deceased) ffather of the above named Josiah wilkinson, of certaine lands & house given by ye said Lawranc|e| wilkinson unto ye said Josiah wilkinson; & the sd deede now being in the Custody of Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill

with the Councill Records; Jt is hereby ordered by ye Councill, That the sd Tho: Olney Clerke of ye Councill shall deliver into ye hands of ye aforesd Mr Eliezer Arnold Guardian to ye abovesd Hannah Wilkinson; The said Deede, & upon the delivery thereof to take a receit thereof from ye said Eliezer Arnold & ye said Receit to Record in ye Councill Records. /

At a meeteing of ye Towne Councill July ye 10th 1710. / Whereas Peter Barnes of this Towne of Providence hath of the Councill of sd Providence desired the wardshipp of his Cousin Thomas Barnes, his Brother Thomas Barnes who is deceased his son; his said Brother in his lifetime being an |in|habitant of ye aforesd Towne of Providence, his said Cousin being young & yet uncapeable to take Care of what Estate to him belongs as to lands or otherwise; The said Towne Councill of sd Providence at his Request have Granted & appoynted the said Peter Barnes to be ye Guardian of his said Cousin Thomas Barnes & to take his lands & what other Estate he hath, into wardshipp, & to act thereon upon all accounts as a Guardian legally ought to do duering the Minoritye of his said Cousin thomas Barnes: /

This order is Recorded in this place, but the rest of the acts of ye same day are Recorded further on in the booke in another place a litle further On. /

[176] Here followeth the Record of a licence which Eliezer Arnold Received from ye Towne Councill of Providence at their Meeting August ye 14th: 1710 signed by order of ye Councill & on their behalfe.

The which licence was to give liberty to kepe a publick house of Entertainement. / { ℘ Jos: Jenckes Assistant & Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Whereas the Lawes do Provide that no Person Jnhabiting in our Collony shall ke|e|pe any Publick house of Entertainement for strangers, Travilers or others, nor Retale Strong drinke, vnless they have a licence from the Councill of ye Respective Towne whereunto they do belong; And Whereas you Justice Eliezer Arnold Jnhabitant of this Towne of Providence, in ye Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England haveing desired of ye Towne Councill of sd Providence that they Would Grant unto you a licence in order to that Purpose, whereby you might be in a Capacitye to keepe a house of that Order, & for that imploy: The Towne Councill of said Providence being mett, & haveing Considered your Request, and to ye end that strangers, Travilers & other Persons may be accomodated with suteable Entertainement at all times as Ocation Requires do by these presents Grant |un|to you ye abovesd Justice Eli|e|zer Arnold licence & libertye to keepe a Publick house of Entertainement in sd Providence Towneshipp at your dwelling, for the Entertaineing of Strangers, Travilers & other Persons, both horse & foote, Carters; Drovers, &c: at all times for & duiring the full & just Terme of one yeares Time forward from ye day of the date of these presents: And that at all times duiring the said Terme of time you do (within your Prescinks) well & truely Observe, do & keepe good Orders according as ye lawes do Require Persons Who are licenced to keepe such houses to do & Performe.

Jos Jenckes Assistant

Dated August ye 14th: 1710; Tho: Olney Clerk./

At a Councill Meeting.

Recorded August ye 15th 1710: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

Whereas the lawes do provide that no person inhbiting in

our Collony shall keepe any publick house of Entertainem^{t}: for strangers or others, nor Retale strong drinke unless they have a licence from ye Councill of ye Respetive Towne whereunto they do belong; And whereas you Nehemiah Sheldon inhabitant of this Towne of Providence in ye Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England, haveing desired of the Towne Councill of sd Providence that they Would Grant unto you a licence in order to that Purpose whereby you might be in a Capacitye to keepe a house of that Order & for that imploy: The Towne Councill of sd Providence being met & haveing Considered your Request, & to ye End that strangers Travellers & other persons may be accomodated with suteable Entertainement at all times as Ocation Requires; do by these presents Grant unto you ye abovesaid Nehemiah Sheldon licence & liberty to keepe a Publick house of Entertainement in said Providence Towneshipp at your dwelling, for ye Entertaineing of strangers Travellers & other Persons, both horse & foot, Carters Drovers, &c; at all times for & duiring the full & just terme of one yeares time forward from ye day of ye date of these presents; And that at all times duiring ye said terme of Time, you do (within your Prescinkes) well & truely observe, do, & keepe good Orders according as ye lawes do Require persons who are licenced to keepe such houses to do and Performe

Dated August ye 14th: 1710./ — Jos: Jenckes Assista|nt|
Tho: Olney Clerk./

[177] Whereas ye lawes do provide that no person inhabiting in our Collony shall keepe any Publick house of Entertainement for strangers Travellers or Others, nor Retale strong drinke unless they have a licence from ye Councill of y^{e}

Respective Towne whereunto they do belong; And whereas you Anne Tirpin inhabitant of this Towne of Providence in ye Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England (late wife, but now widdow of ye deceased william Tirpin) haveing desired of ye Towne Councill of said Providence that they would Grant unto you a licence in order to that Purpose whereby you migh be in a capacitye to keepe a house of that order & for that imploy; The Towne Councill of said Providence being met, and haveing Considered your Request, and to ye end that strangers Travellers, & other Persons may be accomodated with suteable Entertainement at all times as ocation Requires; Do by these presents Grant unto you the abovesaid Anne Tirpin licence & liberty to ke|e|pe a Publicke house of Entertainement in said Providence for ye Entertaineing of strangers Travellers & other persons, both horse & foote, Carters & drovers, &c: at all times for & duiring the full & just terme of one yeares time forward from ye day of ye date of these presents; And that at all times duiring ye said terme of time you do (within your prescinktes) well & truely observe, do, & keepe good orders according as ye lawes do Require persons who are licenced to keepe such houses to do & performe

Dated August ye 14th 1710: Jos: Jenckes, Assistant
at a Councill meeting: Tho: Olney, Clerk./

At a Meeteing of ye Towne Councill July the 10th 1710. /

Whereas Lidda Hearnden (Widdow) departed this life the 14th day of june 1710; And there being a small Estate left; And Whereas Joseph Williams junior who Married one of ye said widdow her daughters, hath preferred the matter to y^e^

Councill to settle sd Estate according as ye law in such Cases Requires; Jn order thereunto the Councill do Order Mr Joseph Williams and william Olney to take an Jnventarey of sd Estate in all places where they can find it, & to bring in an account thereof to ye Councill at their Meeting the 19th day of this instant July.

The meeteing is adjorned to ye 19th day of this instant July,

July ye 19th 1710, the Councill is againe in being

The Jnventarey of ye Estate of ye deceased Liddea Hearnton hath this day been Examined; The which was taken by Mr Joseph Williams & William Olney; The Councill haveing taken into Consideration the matter as to Granting forth licences unto Certaine persons as to keepeing of Publick houses of Entertainement for Entertaineing of Strangers & Retaleing of Strong drinke; and also for restrayneing of others from Retaleing of Strong drinke (to say) from selling any | sort of | strong drinke by Retale,

That is under a Gallon at any time upon ye penalty of the forfitting of forty shillings Each time they Transgress, Excepting those who have a licence:

Jn Order whereunto the Councill have ordered licences to be granted unto severall persons in our Towne & Towneshipp for one yeare; As one to Anne Tirpin she paying 40^{s}: & giveing 20^{lb} bond; Nehamiah Sheldon he paying one Pound & 9^{s}, & giveing 15^{lb} bond, Eliezr Arnold he paying 1^{lb}; but no bond: Captn ffenner paying 14^{s}; but no bond: Daniell Abbott paying 14^{s} & giveing 10^{lb} bond; Benjamin wight paying 18^{s} & giveing 10^{lb} bond; Henry Adams for Traineing dayes to have liberty to sell strong drinke. he to pay 5^{s},

Jt is granted unto Eliezer Arnold (if he see Cause) to ap-

poynt another person as he approveth of, also to take a licence for the same imploy; The Meeting is adjorned to ye 31 Jnstant being munday. /

[**178**] Munday July ye 31: 1710; by adjornem^{t}: but no person appeared but Major Jenckes Assistant & Tho: Olney Clerk, bu not being Enough to settle ye Meeting it fell of itselfe

August ye 7th 1710; At a Councill Meeting Called by Warrant. / Granted unto John Whipple liberty to keepe a Publick house of Entertainement for Entertaineing of People, & Retaleing of drinke; but by licence. / The meeting is adjorned to Munday | the | 14th instant

Munday ye 14th of August 1710, the Meeting is againe in being. /

Jt is Ordered, that Joseph Jenckes Assistant and Tho: Olney Clerk shall on ye Councills behalfe take bond of John Sayles, & signe a licence to him to keepe a publick house of Entertainement & Retale strong drink, he ye sd John sayles being approved of by Eliezer Arnold, according to ye Grant July ye 19th: 1710:

Eliezer Arnold hath this day taken a licence & given bond to kepe a house of Publick Entertainement. /

The meting is adjornet unto frida|y| ye first of September next:

ffriday, September ye first 1710, only Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Tho: Olney Clerk appeared, so ye meeting fell of itselfe; Yet notwithstanding on that day Anne Tirpin tooke a licence to keepe a publick house of Entertainem^{t}; & gave in bond, so also did Nehemiah Sheldon; but they were dated from August

ye 14th 1710: for then they were Granted; & ye licences & bonds then Written,

At a Meeteing of ye Towne Councill November ye 10th, 1710: Alice Browne Widdow of ye deceased Daniell Browne hath this day presented an Jnventarey of her deceased husband his Estate to the Councill for their Examination;

Alice Browne widdow of ye deceased Daniell Browne hath made oath to ye Jnventarey of ye Estate of ye sd deceased Daniell Browne; that it containes all & whole the moveable Estate of ye sd deceased Daniell Browne that shee knowes of, & if at any time more appeares it shall be brought forth & Added to ye Jnventarey: Richard Browne & John Bullock the apprisers have also made oath to ye sd Jnventarey;

Administration of ye Estate of ye sd deceased Daniell Browne was by ye Councill tendred to ye Widdow of ye sd deceased Daniell Browne, she desired some little time of Consideration. /

The meeting is adjorned to Munday ye 11th of December next./

Munday ye 11th of December 1710 the meeting is againe in being./

Jt is Granted unto Joseph Whipple that he may Retale strong drinke for ye space of one yeares time & that he shall have a licence for ye same & give bond to keepe good Orders in his house & for said licence he shall pay 20^s; & that 20^s shall be taken off from Anne Tirpins 40^s, so that Anne Tirpin shall pay but 20^s for her licence not with standing ye order for her to pay 40^s./ And that Tho: Olney clerk shall draw a bond & a licence, & that Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Tho: Olney clerk shall on y^e Councills behalfe signe sd licence to sd Joseph Whipple & of him Receive sd bond./

The meeting is adjorned to y^e first Munday in Januarey next.

Munday y^e first of Januared i7$\frac{10}{11}$, it being the first munday in y^e Month, The meeting is againe in being;

Alice Browne widdow of y^e deceased Daniell Browne this [179] this day declared to y^e Councill that shee & her son Daniell Browne would jountly take Administration on y^e Estate of her deceased husband Daniell Browne. /

Jt is Ordered that Tho: Olney, Clerk, shall on the Councill their behalfe give a letter of Administratio|n| unto ye said widdow Alice Browne & her son Daniell Browne & of them to take bond to Administer leaally on ye Estate of ye sd deceased Daniell Browne./

Whereas Gidian Crawford late of this Towne of Providence | deceased, | did by his last Will & Testament give & devise unto his son John Crawford certaine lands And he ye sd John Crawford being yet in his Minority & thereby not in a Capacity to Order & act Conserning sd lands as the state of matters may Require, thought it Convenient to have a Gardian to act & do for ye preservation of what to him belonged, his desire also being that his brother William Crawford might be ye Person for his Gardian; Jn order whereunto ye sd John Crawford Addrest himselfe to his ffathers Executrix & Executors; the which they allowed and accepted that William Crawford, (his brother) should be his Gardian, & sent some lines in writeing under their handes to the Towne Councill of Providence signifieing to them of their Allowance & acceptation thereof; Whereupon the Councill by voate Confirmed ye same;/ The aforesd Written lines are as followeth;

To the Worthy Towne Councill of Providence met together this first day of Januarey by adjornm^t:

Gentlemen; Wee the subscribers being appoynted by Mr Gideon Crawford late of sd Providence (deceased) as Executors to his last will & Testament, & his son John Crawford being in his Minority desires of us liberty that he may Choose his brother Willm Crawford his Gardian for the lookeing after & maintaineing his landes which was bequeathed him by his sd ffather Mr Gideon Crawford (deceased) And wee haveing Considered y^{e} Matter do alow & aprove of y^{e} same, is what offers at Present from your Ready friends & humble servants

Providence 1: January 17$\frac{10}{11}$ ffreelove Crawford

The meeting is Adjorned Tho: ffenner

to munday y^{e} 8th of this instant January Richard Waterman

Munday y^{e} 8th of January 17$\frac{10}{11}$ the meeting is againe in being:/

Whereas Major John Dexter of this Towne of Providence (deceased) did by his last will & Testament give & devise unto his son John Dexter Certaine lands, & he the said John Dexter being yet in his minority & thereby Not in a Cappacity to Order & act Concerning sd lands as the state of Matters may Require, thought it Convenient to have a Gardian to act & do for the preservation of what to him belongeth; And his desire being also that Captn Simon Smith Might be his Gardian; Jn order whereunto the sd John Dexter made his Address unto the Executrix & overseers of his ffathers will the Executrix & overseers of the said will haveing Considered the Matter & have allowed & | aproved | of ye same, that Captn Simon Smith should be Gardian to the said John Dexter, & sent some lines in writeing under their hands to ye Towne Councill of Providence signifieing to the Councill of ye Towne of Providence of their Allowance & approba-

tion thereof: Whereupon the sd Towne Councill Confirmed the same according as the Executrix & Overseers mentioned in sd writeing & subscribed unto:

The sd written lines are as followeth; To the Honrd Towne Councill [**180**] Councill of Providence Met together this 8th day of January by adjornment;

Gentlemen, we the subscribers being appoynted by Major John Dexter late of Providence (deceased) Executrix & overseers to his last will & Testament, And his son John Dexter being in his minority, desires of us that he may have liberty to Chuse Captn Simon Smith his Gardian for ye lookeing after & maintaineing his lands which was bequeathed him by his sd father John Dexter, deceased; And we haveing Considered ye matter do allow and approve of ye same; Js what Offers at present from your Ready friends & servants;

Alice Dexter

We the Overseers of ye last will & Testament of the deceased Major John Dexter do Consent that Captn Simon Smith shall be Guard^{n} to the sd John Dexter, Provided he Comence no suite in law on account of any legacye | bequeathed | to y^{e} sd John Dexter by his deceased father, without our Consent; Witness our hands this 8th January 17$\frac{10}{11}$:

Jo^{s} Jenckes jun^{r}
Tho: ffenner
Sam^{ll} Wilkinson
John Smith. /

The meeting is desolved;

At a meeteing of y^{e} Towne Councill March the 20th 17$\frac{10}{11}$:

This day the last Will & Teastament of Samuell Whipple deceased, beareing date March y^{e} 9th 17$\frac{10}{11}$ hath this day by y^{e}

Councill been Examined & approved. The Jnventarey of The deceassed Sam^{ll}: Whipple taken & Made March y^{e} 16th 17$\frac{10}{11}$ ℘ Joseph Whipple & James Olney hath this day been Examined by the Councill & Allowed:

The Towne Councill do order & appoynt Tho: Olney, Clerk, on the Councill their behalfe, to take bond of samuell whipple Executor to y^{e} abovesd will & to give him a letter of Administration:

Abigaill Angell (Widdow of y^{e} deceased James Angell hath this day Exhibbitted the Jnventary of her sd deceased husband his Estate taken & Made March y^{e} 19th 17$\frac{10}{11}$ by Nath^{ll} Waterman & Joseph williams The which said Jnventary was by the Councill this day Examined & by them Allowed & Administraton on y^{e} sd Estate Granted unto the said widdow Abigaill Angell. Ordered That Tho: Olney Clerk do on the Councill their behalfe take bond of y^{e} sd Abigaill Angell (widdow) & signe & seale her a letter of Administration to Administer on sd Estate.

This day Hannah Hawkings widdow of the deceased Stephen Hawkings hath this day Exhibitted to the Councill an Jnventarey of her sd deceased husband his Estate; Taken & Made March ye 19th & 20th by John Smith & William Hawkings jun^{r}: The said Jnventarey hath this day been by the Councill Examined & Allowed, and Administration on the said Estate Granted unto the said Widdow. /

Ordered that Tho: Olney Clerk shall on the Councill their behalfe take Bond of the said Hannah Hawkings (Widdow) & to signe and seale unto her a letter of Administration to impower her to Administer on sd Estate,

The Meeteing is desolved. /

[181] Here followeth the Record of the last Will & Testament of Samuell Whipple who dyed March y^e 12th 17$\frac{10}{11}$: as followeth,

I Samuell Whipple of the Towne of Providence, in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England being sick & weake of Boddy, but yet (through Mercy) of sound & Perfect Memory, Do make, Ordaine & appoynt this to be my last Will & Testament; Revokeing makeing Null & voyd all & Every former Will at any time by me made Either by Word or Writeing & this Will only to stand & be in force.

Jmprimis, I Do Give & yield up my spirit unto God who gave it & my body to the Earth to be decently Buried.

Jtem I do Give & devise unto my two sons (as Namely) Samuell Whipple & Thomas Whipple my hundred & fifty acres of land being on the west side of ye seven mile line in said Providence Towneshipp, together with the Right or to say share of Meaddow unto the said hundred & fifty acres of land belonging as also one quarter part of a Right of Commons on the west side of ye said line to be all Equally devided betweene them two; & to be unto them & their Heirs & Assignes for Ever.

Jtem I Do Give & Devise unto my two sons (as Namely) Samuell Whipple & Thomas Whipple my share of Meaddow Which I bought of James Ashton lieing & being in the great Meaddow (so Called) and my Twenty acres of land lieing by ye Pond Called the broad Pond, & my seven Acres of land lyeing by ye southeasterne part of the hill called the Windmill hill to be Equally devided, and also Each of them one Right in the Thatch bedds, all to be unto them their Heirs and Assignes for ever./

Jtem I Do Give & Devise unto my son Thomas Whipple my seven acres of land lieing in that Tract of land Called the Neck, & is betweene the swampe Called the Great Swampe & the land which did belong unto Mr Dexter, to be unto my son his Heirs & Assignes for Ever: And I do also Give & Devise unto my sd son Thomas Whipple, for and duireing the terme of his Naturall life, my waarehouse lott of land lieing in said Providence Towne by the water side; & after his decease the said Waarehouse lott of land to Revert and be unto his Male Heir begotten of his body, & so successively to proceede and be./

Jtem I Do Give & bequeath unto my son Thomas Whipple & unto my Grandson Noah Whipple, I do Give and Devise all my Commons on ye East side of the seven mile line in sd Providence Towneshipp, Equally to be devided betweene them, to be unto them, their Heirs & Assignes forever.

Jtem I Do Give & Devise unto my son thomas Whipple all my lands on which he now dwelleth which lieth on both sides of the River Called Moshausuck River, both vpland, lowland, Meaddow & swampye land together with the house thereon to be unto him his Heirs & assignes forever:

Jtem I Do Give & Devise unto my two Grandsons (as Namely) Enoch Whipple & Daniell Whipple, Three quarters of all my lands & Comons on the west side of ye seven mile line in said Providence Towneshipp, which is not yet laid out to be Equally devided betweene them two to be unto them their Heirs & Assignes forever.

Jtem My home stedd or to say my dwelling & out housing with all my lands & Orchard thereunto adjoyneing Reaching from the Towne Street & Extending Eastward to the land

which belonged to the deceased Daniell Browne I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mary Whipple to be for her vse & improvement for & duireing the Whole terme of her Naturall life; and at her decease the said dwelling house, out houseing & all said lands and Orchards to Revert & be unto my two Daughters (namely) Abigaill Whipple, & Hope Whipple, and after their decease to Revert & be unto their Heirs begotten of their Bodyes; the which said house lands & Orchards shall with what out housen there are shall be Equally devided betweene my said two daughters; But in Case it [182] it shall so be that my said daughters neither of them have any Children, then shall the said house & lands be Equally devided amongst all my Children; But if Either of them have Children or a Child then shall the said House & lands Revert & be to that daughters Heir./

Jtem I do Give & bequeath unto my two daughters (Namely) Abigaill Whipple & Hope Whipple Each of them a bedd & bedding & all the furniture to a bedd belonging; Each of them to Receive the same at my said wife her decease; And I do give also unto my said two daughters Each of them a Cow, to receive them also at my said wife her decease:

Jtem I Do Give & bequeath unto my sd loveing wife for her vse & improvement all my Goods & Cattell duireing her Naturall life, & at her decease to be unto my two sons Samuell Whipple and Thomas Whipple Equally to be devided betweene them, Except what I have before disposed of.

And I do make & appoynt my son Samuell whipple to be my Executor of this my last Will & Testament; to Receive all my debts & to pay all my debts & to see my body

decently buried, and to Execute & performe this my will according to the true meaneing & intent thereof: Jn Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale the Ninth day of March Annoq^{e}: Domini, one Thousand Seven hundred & Tenn: $17\frac{10}{11}$.

Signed Sealed & Proclaimed, in the presence of us, John Sayles, Henry Adams, James Olney,

The mark of X Samuell Whipple

At a | Towne | Councill Meeteing March the 20th $17\frac{10}{11}$ the above Written Will was by the Councill Examined & Proved, Attests

Recorded Aprill y^{e} 3rd, 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of y^{e} Jnventary of Samuell Whipple of Providence, in the Collony of Rhode Jsland, &c; Who departed this life march y^{e} Twelfe, Anno, $17\frac{10}{11}$. /

		lb s d
Jmprimis		
	His Weareing Apparrill	10–00–00
Jtem	Three Cowes with each of them a calfe all at	09–00–00
Jtem	Two Cowes with Calfe both of them valued at	06–00–00
Jtem	one Three yeare old heifer	02–05–00
Jtem	Two 2 yeare old steers & a 2 yeare old heifer	04–10–00
Jtem	Two heifers of a yeare Old & vantage	02–00–00
Jtem	Two Oxen	08–10–00
Jtem	One Old Horse 2^{lb}: a maare 2^{lb}–10^{s}: a young horse 1^{lb}–10^{s}: all	06–00–00
Jtem	A Sow & two Piggs	01–04–00
Jtem	Twenty & six sheepe	06–10–00
Jtem	Hay	04–00–00
Jtem	About Tenn bushells of Jndian Corne at	01–04–00

Jtem	Some Rye, Mislen & barly	02–00–00
Jtem	A Grinding stone	00–06–00
Jtem	Three narrow Axes	00–08–00
Jtem	A Beetle & 4 wedges ye beetle haveing 2 Rings all	00–05–00
Jtem	A Plough & Plough Jrons	00–10–00
Jtem	An Jron sledge	00–04–00
Jtem	A Logg Chaine	00–16–00
Jtem	A draught Chaine	00–08–00
Jtem	An Jron Crow	00–06–00
Jtem	Two bells with Collors	00–03–00
Jtem	One Adds & three hoes	00–06–00
Jtem	Three old sithes	00–04–00
Jtem	Three Augers	00–02–06
Jtem	Two old Chizells	00–01–00
Jtem	one old Coulter, an old Kittle & an old spade	00–01–00
Jtem	Two Pitch forkes & a welch spitt	00–03–06
Jtem	A drawing knife	00–02–00
Jtem	fflax braked & vnbraked	01–04–00
[183]		lb s d
Jtem	Tenn Pounds of Wooll & Comed Worsted	00–10–00
Jtem	A Cart, wheells & horse Tackling for drawing	04–00–00
Jtem	To Cidar, Tobacco & Malasses	06–10–00
Jtem	To a fire shovell & a paire of Tongs	00–02–00
Jtem	To a Table	00–15–00
Jtem	To an Jron Kittle	00–05–00
Jtem	To six Pewter Basons	00–08–00
Jtem	To two Platters & two Plates	00–10–00
Jtem	To two quart Potts, 6 Poringers a drinking boule, a pepper box & a Tunnill Made of Tinn	00–14–00

Jtem	To two Candle sticks	00–02–06
Jtem	To spoones Trentchers & Earthen Waare,	00–04–00
Jtem	A Cart Rope	00–06–00
Jtem	To Eleven sheets & a warmeing pan fiue Napkins & seven Towells	05–10–00
Jtem	A ffether bed, a Coverlid, three blankets & three pair of sheets, & one bolster with a Case & two Pillowes with pillow beers	11–00–00
Jtem	One ffether bedd & bolster & two pillowes & two Pillow beers, & a paire of sheets & two blankets and a Coverlid	08–00–00
Jtem	Another ffether bedd, a coverlid, Three blanketts & 3 pair of sheets, one bolster with a Case, & 2 Pillowes with Pillow bers	11–
Jtem	A fflock bedd with a Coverlid & a pair of blanketts and an old bolster	03–10–00
Jtem	Jn the lower Roome in the leaneto, one ffether bed, a bolster & two Coverlidds, two blanketts and a paire of sheets	08–05–00
Jtem	To Three bedd steeds	00–12–00
Jtem	To a Woollen wheele & two linnen wheeles	00–09–00
Jtem	A Trammill & small hookes & a Grid Jron	00–08–00
Jtem	A Gunn	01–10–00
Jtem	To a square a pair of stilliards & poyse	00–10–00
Jtem	To a frying pan & a brass Kittle	01–10–00
Jtem	To a spitt & a litle Kittle, & a Porridge pot & a frying pan	00–10–00
Jtem	To a saddle & a bridle	00–12–00
Jtem	To Porke & Biefe & y^{e} two barrills as it is in	02–00–00
Jtem	To two smoothing Jrons	00–02–00

Jtem To a Tubb, pailes, Chaires & some old lumber 00–12–00

At a Towne Councill Meeteing March the 16th $17\frac{10}{11}$
March ye 20th: $17\frac{10}{11}$ Aprised by us,
the above written Jnventarey was Joseph Whipple
by the Councill Examined & Allowed James Olney
Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /
Recorded Aprill ye 4th 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk.

Here followeth the Record of a letter of Administration on ye Estate of the deceased Samuell whipple./

Whereas Samuell Whipple of this Towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England Departed this life March the 12th: $17\frac{10}{11}$:

And by his last Will & Testament beareing date the 9th day of March Anno $17\frac{10}{11}$ he Constituted, Made & Appoynted you Samuell Whipple his son (who formerly belonged unto sd Towne of Providence, but now dwelling within the prescinkes of New London in the Collony of Conitekut,) to be his Executor, to Execute and performe his said Will: And the said will haveing been Exhibitted to the Towne Councill of said Providence and by them been Examined & Proved; The Jnventarey of his Estate also by them haveing been Examined and Allowed: The Towne Councill of said Providence do therefore now by these presents (you haveing already given bond to sd Councill) Comitt unto you the full Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased ffather (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the said Estate for you the said Samuell Whipple son and Executor [**184**] Executor of ye aforesaid deceased Samuell Whipple to Administer on, & faithfully to performe your Administration thereon in all

poynts & perticulars legally according as the law Requires an Executor to do; And Execute your said ffather his said Will according to the true Meaneing & intent thereof.

By order of the Councill &
Dated March the 22nd: 17$\frac{10}{11}$ on their behalfe
Tho: Olney Clerk.

Recorded Aprill ye 4th: 1711.
℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

The Record of the Estate of ye deceased James Angell of this Towne of Providence who departed this life the 3d day of March Anno: 17$\frac{10}{11}$. as followeth./

	lb s d
Jmprimis	
His weareing Apparrill	08–00–06
His Sword belt & Cane	01–10–00
Goods in ye outermost Roome;	
Jtem To 4 Peuter Platters & Pewter Basons	01–05–00
To seven Porringers	00–07–00
To Earthen Platters & basons	00–02–08
To three Glass Bottells	00–02–06
To 4 pint basons 2 bekers & one small plate	00–06–06
To 2 old Plates 2 old basens & one platter	00–06–06
To 2 quart Potts i pint pott & other peuter	00–08–06
To one stone Jugg 2 Earthen pittchers one bason	00–02–02
To Three brass Kittells	01–10–00
To i skillett, one Morter & Pestle old of brass	00–04–00
To 2 Candlesticks, i Grid Jron i Chafeing dish	00–06–06
To 2 Tramills 2 ℘ of fire Tongs & fire shovell	00–13–00
To one paire of And Jrons	01–00–00
To 3 old Kittles 2 potts & pot hookes & i frying pan	00–18–06

To Three Gunns	03–15–00
To one smoothing Jron & 2 heaters, i ℔ of bellowes	00–06–00
To 2 great Chaines & six small Chaines	00–12–00
To i great Table 2 stooles & i settle	01–02–00
To 2 old spinning wheells	00–06–00
To 3 pair of wooll Cardes	00–08–00
To 3 Knives	00–01–06
To one sadle & bridle & Male pillion	00–16–00
To seven pounds of flax & 15 pound of Cotten	01–10–10
To Twelve pounds of sheepps wooll	00–12–00
Goods in ye westernmost lower Roome./	
To one bedd bedding & beddstud	12–00–00
To one Chest 2 boxes i warmeing pan, i Deske	01–01–00
Goods in the Eastermost lower bed Roome./	
To i Bedd bedding & beddstud	09–00–00
To i box of Candles & i Chest & 3 chamber potts	01–01–00
To 3 Glass bottles	00–01–00
Totall on this page	49–15–08

		lb s d
	Goods in the Leanto Chamber	
	To one bed beding & bedstud	05–00–00
Jtem	A bed & beding	02–10–00
	To 3 sides of shoo leather & i barrill of feathers	02–12–00
	To one Pillian & Eight Pound of yarne	01–00–00
	To nayles	02–00–00
	To one Chest in the Greatest Chamber	00–08–00
Jtem	ffor bookes	01–00–00
	To i½ Dosen of spoones & 1 dosen of Trenchers	00–10–00
	To one lookeing Glall & one halfe bushell	00–03–00

	The stock of Cattell	
	To one yoake of Oxen & 2 Cowes	14–05–00
Jtem	One horse & two Coults	06–10–00
	To one stack of hay & some in ye barne	03–10–00
	To 3 chaines & one yoake Clevice & pinn	01–16–00
	To 4 bushells of Jndian Corne & i bushall of Rye,	00–11–00
[185]		lb s d
	To 3 narrow Axes & one broad Axe	01–00–00
	To i Cart & shodd wheelles & i ℔ of Draughts	06–00–00
	To one hand saw & i Adds i Chizill & i Gouge	00–10–06
	To 2 Augers & 2 drawing knives i wimble bit & Compasses	00–07–06
	To i beetle & wedges & i old Axe & 2 hatchets	00–10–06
	To i sithe & 2 bells & 2 hoes	00–13–00
	To 10 barrills of sidar	03–10–00
	To i Barrill of Pork & ½ barrill biefe	04–00–00
	To i Tumbrill & i wheele barrow & 2 sleds	01–10–00
	To one spitt & two sives	00–07–00
	To one swine	00–12–00
	To i hundred pounds of Tallo	01–01–00
	To old barrills Tubbs & pailes	01–00–00
	To one Loome & Gears & one pair of woosted Combs	06–00–00
	Totall on this pag	68–17–00
Moneys due by bond	besides ye Bonds. /	
℔ bonds from James Harris, besides Jntrest		263–00–00

The above Written is a true apriseall of all the Goods as was brought to our vew, according to y^e best of our Judgements as Wittness our hands.

Nathaniell Waterman
Joseph Williams.

At a meeteing of the Towne Councill of Providence held march y^e 20th 17$\frac{10}{11}$ the above written Jnventarey was by the said Towne Councill Examined & Allowed

Attests Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

Recorded Aprill y^e 5th; 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk:

Here followeth the Record of a letter of Administration from y^e Towne Councill of Providence to Abigaill Angell the widdow of y^e deceased James Angell. /

Whereas James Angell of this Towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations, in New England departed this life the third day of March in the yeare 17$\frac{10}{11}$ & dyeing intested whereby his Estate fell to be the Care of the Towne Councill of sd Providence for the Ordering of Matters Concerneing the same: And Whereas you Abigaill Angell Widow of the said deceased James Angell have desired of the said Towne Councill to Grant unto you the Administration on your said deceased husband his Estate; and you haveing already given in bond for the true and legall Administration thereon: Therefore wee the now Towne Councill of said Providence, Do by these presents Comitt unto you the said Abigaill Angell (widdow of ye said deceased James Angell) the full Power of Administration on ye Estate of your said deceased husband (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the said Estate faithfully & truely to Administer, & in all perticulars the same legaly to performe according as the law in such Cases doth Require: And from time to time to Render an account to the Councill of your acting therein when by them Required.

Dated March y^e 31: 17$\frac{10}{11}$. /

By Order of the Councill and on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded Aprill the 5th 1711. / ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of y^e^ Jnventarey of the Estate of the Deceased steeven | Hawkings | of this Towne of Providence who died on the 10th day of March in y^e^ yeare $17\frac{10}{11}$: Taken & Made by John Smith; & william Hawkings jun^r^: brother unto the abovesaid deceased Stephen Hawkings; all of Providence;

	lb s d
To weareing Aparrill	08–00–00
To A Chest	00–05–00
To six yards & halfe of Cloath	01–16–03
To two small Remnants of Cloath	00–15–00
To A sack & Course wooll in it	00–10–00
To A Trunke	00–10–00
To A Bedd & bedding	04–00–00
To ffethers & lumber in that Roome	00–15–00
To money	00–17–00
To A Chest of draws & a Trunke	02–15–00
[186]	lb s d
To A Warming pan	00–19–00
To A lookeing Glass	00–07–00
To A bedd & bedd sted & furniture	01–00–00
To some small beding for ye Jndian	00–03–00
To Provision	02–10–00
To sope & sum small lumber	00–06–00
To Candles & Tallow	00–04–06
To A Woollen Wheele	00–04–00
To A Tubb with some butter & a sive	00–03–00
To A loome & Tackling	02–10–00
To two Kittles & a Pott	01–16–00
To ffire shovell Tongs Tramills & Grid Jron	01–00–00
To A smoothing box & heaters	00–07–00

To A paire of sheepe shears & a sickle	00–04–00
To A gunn & the barrill of a Gunn	00–02–00
To A Table & Table linnen	01–18–00
To A Bible & other small bookes	00–09–00
To yarne & Chairs & small Lumber	00–12–00
To Pewter & Earthen waare	02–01–06
To A Silver Cupp	00–11–00
To A skillet & frame	00–09–06
To Malasses & other small Triffells	00–06–00
To ffuriture for horse	01–04–00
To A Croscut saw & hand saw	01–07–00
To two Cooppers Axes & two Joynters, a fro, & other Coopers tooles	02–05–00
To Tobacco	00–10–00
One Caske & sidar	00–07–00
To A Tubb of fatt	00–02–00
To beere & Lumber	00–07–06
To Corne	01–04–00
To A yoake of small Cattell	06–10–00
To two Cowes	05–10–00
To two yearlings	01–10–00
To A maare	08–00–00
To seventeene sheepe & two young lambes	04–04–00
To four small swine	01–04–00
To A Cart & wheeles with Clevice	03–13–00
To A Grinding stone	00–11–00
To A horse Collor & Chaines	00–18–00
Sithe and Tackling	00–07–00
To A yoake	00–04–00
To hay & Pitch forks & Rakes	01–04–00

To A Beetle & Wedges	00–05–00
To Axes and a hoe	00–10–00
To A bell & Collor	00–04–00
To A small Piece of Cloath	01–16–00
To an Jndian Girle, servant	01–10–00
To 4^{lb} of sugar & a bitt of Cloath	00–05–00
Jtem, Stephen Hawkings part of an Jron toothed Harrow & 2 bells	00–10–00

Taken March y^{e} 19th & 20: 17$\frac{10}{11}$:
This above written Jnventary taken according to the best of our vnderstanding of what hath been laid before us. /

John Smith
William Hawkings

The above said Jnventary was by y^{e} Towne Councill of Providence March y^{e} 20th 17$\frac{10}{11}$
Examined & Alowed. /
Recorded Aprill y^{e} 10th: 1711
℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration ffrom the Towne Councill to Hannah Hawkings, Widdow of the deceased Stephen Hawkings./

Whereas Stephen Hawkings of this Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland, &c; departed this life the 10th day of March 17$\frac{10}{11}$; & dying intested whereby the Care & ordering concerning his Estate fell to the Towne Councill of said Providence, An Jnventarey of His Estate haveing been already Exhibitted to said Councill & Examined, & by them Alowed; And whereas you Hannah Hawkings have desired Administration on the Estate of your said deceased husband Stephen Hawkings, & haveing to said Towne Councill; for the true & legall Administration thereon given in bond: Therefore wee the Now Towne Councill of said Providence do by

these presents Comitt unto you the said Hannah Hawkings (widdow of the said deceased [**187**] deceased Stephen Hawkings) the full Power of Administratio|n| on the Estate of your said deceased Husband (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the sd Estate faithfully & truely on the same to Administer, and in all perticulars the same legally to performe according as the law in such Cases doth require, And from time to time to Render an account to the Councill of your Actings thereon when by them Required:

Dated Aprill ye 9th 1711

By order of ye Councill & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk./

Recorded Aprill ye 10th, 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

At a Meeteing of ye Towne Councill Aprill ye 16th 1711. This day Jane Potter Widdow of ye late deceased John Potter presented to the Councill the Jventarey of her said deceased husband who belonged & was an Jnhabitant of Mashantatuck in Providence his Estate; the which sd Jnventarey was by the Councill the same day Examined & Allowed;

Ordered that Thomas Olney, Clerk, do on the Councills their behalfe take bond of Jane Potter widdow of ye said deceased John Potter for the Admistring on her sd deceased husbands Estate (the Councill haveing at her Request Granted the Administration thereon to her; & also to signe & seale her a letter of Administration.

The Record of the Jnventarey of the aforesd deceased John Potter is as followeth.

Providence March the 26th 1711: An Jnventarey taken of the Moveable Estate of John Potter (late deceased) of what

was brought to the vew of us whose Names are hereunto subscribed. /

	lb s d
To 8 Cowes, one Bull & a young Calfe	24–00–00
To one paire of Oxen	07–10–00
To one heifer & 3 steeres	06–10–00
To 39 sheepe	10–00–00
To 4 horse kine	12–05–00
To swine	08–14–00
To one load & halfe of hay which is deem[d] to be more than the Cattell & sheepe will eat	01–10–00
To Harrow Teeth	00–10–06
To Tobacco	07–12–00
To Hides	01–05–00
To Cidar	04–14–00
To One Gunn	01–10–00
To Cart Tackling, boxes hoops, Chaines Traces beetle Rings wedges hors Plows & such like tacklings	05–04–06
To 3 Axes	00–09–00
To Tooles	07–01–00
To Grindstone, sithes & tackling to them	01–00–00
To A Hetchell	00–10–00
To ffethers	02–00–00
To A Bedd & bed sted with Covering	07–08–00
To Tugg locks	00–11–00
To Wooll	00–18–00
To A bedd & bed sted with Covering	09–02–00
To yarne	00–17–00
To Oates	01–13–00
To Leather	01–16–00

To one Chest	00–08–00
To Yarne	00–12–00
To A bedd & bed steed with Covering	06–03–06
To A saddle & bridle	01–00–00
To Table linnen	00–18–00
To A Chest	00–08–00
To Two Wheeles	00–09–00
To A Cherne	00–04–00
To Lumber	00–15–00
To Jron Potts, Kittells & brass, & a frying pann	03–05–00
To A warmeing pann	00–10–00
To A paire of Stillyards	00–16–00
[188]	lb s d
To A Sword	00–08–00
To Bees Wax	00–06–06
To A paire of Sheepe sheares	00–01–00
To Riddles	00–03–00
To Pewter	01–12–00
To 2 Candlesticks & a Chamber Pott	00–03–06
To bottells	00–01–06
To A Jugg	00–04–00
To Money Scales	00–05–00
To An Earthen Pott	00–00–04
To Trammills & fire Tongs	00–11–00
To A scimmer & flesh fork	00–01–00
To A Cradle	00–03–00
To Chaires	00–06–00
To A lookeing Glass	00–01–06
To A Paile	00–00–06
To Cheese fatts	00–01–00

To fflax	01–12–00
To Spoones	00–03–04
To his Weareing Apparrill	05–12–00

Roger Burllinggame | jun^{r} |
Benjamin Sarle. /

The above written Jnventarey hath the 16th day of Aprill 1711 been Examined and Alowed by the Towne Councill of Providence. /

Jane Potter, Widdow of the late deceased John Potter haveing the day & yeare aforesd presented the same to the Councill & made Oath unto it that it Containes all & whole the Moveable Estate of her sd deceased husband John Potter, as shee knoweth of; And if at any time More shall Come to her knowledge it shall be Added unto the sd Jnventarey: Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded Aprill ye 18th 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

At a | Towne | Councill meeteing Aprill the 16th, 1711;

This day Mary Carpenter, Widdow of the late deceased Benjamin Carpenter of Pautuxett in Providence presented unto the Councill an Jnventary of her sd deceased husband his Estate; unto which sd Jnventary the said Mary Carpenter (widdow) made Oath that in it was Contained, All & wholly the Moveable Estate of her sd deceased husband that shee knoweth of; And if that at any time any more do Come to her knowledge it shall be Added to sd Jnventarey; The Apprisers also haveing declared it to be a Right apprisall according to their vnderstanding; The Councill haveing Examined the said Jnventary do declare, their Alowance thereof; Administration on ye Estate of the sd deceased Benjamin Car-

penter is by the Councill granted unto his widdow the sd mary Carpenter, the which shee accepteth;

Ordered that Tho: Oln|e|y, Clerk do on the Councill their behalfe take bond of the sd mary Carpenter as to her sd Administration; & also on the Councill, their behalfe to signe & seale her a letter of Administration;

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of the late deceased Benjamin Carpenter of Pautuxet in Providence./ An Jnventarey of the Estate of Benjamin Carpenter deceased who departed this life the third day of March $17\frac{10}{11}$.

		lb s d
Jmprimis,	His Weareing Apparrill	03–10–00
Jt	To one fether bedd & furniture	07–00–00
Jt	To one Trundle bed & furniture	02–10–00
Jt	To two swords & one belt	01–10–00
Jt	To two Candle sticks, a smoothing Jron & heaters	00–04–06
Jt	To sheepe sheares, & scales & weights, & a small lock	00–18–08
Jt	To a chest & some things in it & a box	02–02–06
	All the above written was in ye bedd Roome	
Jt	To things in the outward Roome, to one Gunn	01–05–00
Jt	To one Cubbard	00–18–00
Jt	To Pewter & Earthen Waare & Tinn & one silver Cupp	05–18–00
Jt	To one bedd Pott	00–04–08
Jt	To brass & Jron vessells & an houre Glass	04–15–00
Jt	To Two Tramills & Gidd Jron & slice & And Jrons	01–06–00
Jt	To Tables & foarmes, & wheels, & chairs, & Glasses	02–04–06

	[189]	lb s d
Jt	To a Roasting Jron & severall small things	00–14–00
Jt	To bookes	02–05–00
Jt	To Bacon in the Chimney	01–15–00
Jt	To Things in the Leanto, Trays & Tubbs & other things	03–06–06
Jt	To a Bedd & furniture in ye porch Chamber	08–00–00
Jt	To a Bedd & furniture in the Roome Chamber	09–00–00
Jt	To an old bed in the leanto chamber & some fethers	01–09–00
Jt	To a Remnant of Cloath	01–05–00
Jt	To a side saddle	01–00–00
Jt	To Tables in the great chamber with some small things	02–05–00
Jt	To smiths Tooles & old Jron	03–12–00
Jt	To Cooper & Carpenters Tooles	03–00–00
Jt	To a spade & hoes & Wedges	00–06–00
Jt	To a Plow & Plow Tackling	01–08–00
Jt	To two sithes & 3 sickles old & a currie Comb	00–12–00
Jt	To a great Kittle in ye barne	03–00–00
Jt	To Oates & Rye & Jndian Corne	06–17–00
Jt	To Lumber in the Barne	00–06–00
Jt	To Biefe & Pork in the Cellar	02–02–00
Jt	To Tobacco in the Cellar	01–00–00
Jt	To Old Caske in ye Cellar & Lumber	01–07–00
Jt	To meat in the Leanto chimney	00–06–08
Jt	To Two Oxen & six Cowes & five 3 yeare olds & 3 two yeare olds & one bull & one yeareling	42–10–00
Jt	To two Maares	12–00–00
Jt	To sheepe	08–15–00

Jt	To swine	02–08–00
Jt	To Cow hides	01–01–00
Jt	To sidar, Mill & Press	01–00–00
Jt	To Hay	02–10–00
Jt	To a Saddle & Pillion & Other Tackling	02–10–00

Taken by us this 24th day of March $17\frac{10}{11}$

Timothy Carpenter William Hopkins

Sum totall Errors Excepted 161–17–00

Aprill the 16th 1711 the abovesd Jnventarey was by the Towne Councill of Providence Examined & allowed; Attests Tho: Olney Clerk./

Recorded Aprill ye 18th: 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

Here followeth the | Record of the | Jnventary of the Estate of the deceased Elisha Arnold of Pautuxet in Providence who died on the 24th day of march Anno $17\frac{10}{11}$: The which said Jnventarey was by the Towne Councill of Providence on the 16th day of Aprill 1711 Examined & allowed.

An Jnventarey of the Estate of Elisha Arnold who departed this life the 24th day of March in the yeare 1710 or Eleven.

		lb s d
Jmprimis; Jn the lodgeing Roome./		
Jt	His Weareing Apparrill	15–00–00
Jt	To Cloath of severall sorts	08–00–00
Jt	To Table linnen	01–05–00
Jt	To one fether bed & furniture	10–00–00
Jt	To one small bed & furniture	04–00–00
Jt	To foure Chests & a box & a small trunke	02–14–04
Jt	To a Case & Glass Bottells	01–04–04

Jt	To a Warmeing Pann & some other small things	00–18–00
	Jn the outward Roome.	
	To Pewter & Tinn	03–00–00
Jt	To two brass skilletts & tw brass Candlesticks	01–03–00
Jt	To a paire of stilliards	00–16–00
Jt	To scales & weights	01–00–00
Jt	To Earthen waare & spoones & 2 small Graters	00–17–00
Jt	To knives & Ciscers & shears	00–06–00
Jt	To Bookes of severall sorts	02–06–00
Jt	To a smoothing Jron and a Can, & trenchers & wooden mor|ter|	00–06–06
Jt	To Tram|i|ls & Tongs and fire shovell & a slice & spitt	01–06–00
Jt	To 2 Grid Jrons & fenders & a pair of bellowes & a fleshfork	00–11–00
Jt	To Potts & Kittels & dripping pan & frying pan & brass ladle	11–12–00
Jt	To 3 small Guns & a sword & a bagginit & Cadous box	04–02–00
Jt	To 2 Tables & Nine Chairs & a forme and 3 joynt stooles	01–18–00
	[190]	lb s d
Jt	To five spining Wheeles & old Cards & wo|o|sted Combs	03–01–00
	Jn the leanto./	
	To Tubbs & Pailes & Keelers & Cherne Sives & other smal | things |	01–16–00
Jt	To a dough Trough & some other small things	00–07–00
Jt	Jn ye Chamber To one fether bed & furniture	10–00–00
Jt	To one fether bed & furniture	08–00–00

Jt	To one More feather bed & furniture	07–00–00
Jt	To Tenn paire of sheets & five bolster Cases & Eleven Pillow Cases	12–02–00
Jt	To two Chests & a box & some Cotten Wooll	01–04–08
Jt	To two beds in the leanto Chamber with some beding	05–10–00
Jt	To some Tallow & some meal & some oates & 13 baggs	04–01–00
Jt	To some salt & some beanes & a hetchell & a bell	00–12–00
Jt	To Yarne & Wooll & flax & Tobacco in the Garrett and some leather	06–00–00
Jt	To Rye & som small thinges	02–02–00
Jt	To a saddle & Pillion & Pannill & Portmantle	02–10–00
Jt	To Axes & hoes & other Tooles	05–02–00
Jt	Jn the Cellar to sidar & Tobacco & leather	06–01–00
Jt	To Bief & Pork & butter & Cheese & Candles	09–01–04
Jt	To some malasses & some old barrills	01–01–00
	Jn the barne, To Corne & Oates & Tobacco	08–15–08
Jt	To Clabords in the barne with some lumber	02–01–00
Jt	To two Oxen & Eight Cowes, one steere 4 years old & 2 heifers 3 yeares old & 3 two yeare old, and 2 yearl|ings|	50–01–00
Jt	To sheepe	16–16–00
Jt	To horses & swine	11–08–00
Jt	To Cart & Plowes & Plow Tackling	04–04–00
Jt	To a Grindstone	00–04–00
Jt	To money & bills & Plate	25–01–04

Taken by us this 12th day of Aprill 1711

William Hopkins, Timothy Carpenter, Stephen Arnold;

Aprill 16th 1711. } The abovesd Jnventarey hath been by the Towne Councill Examined and by them allowed, Recorded Aprill the 20th 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk./

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration on the Estate of the late deceased John Potter of Mashantatuck in Providence, by the Towne Councill of Providence Granted unto Jane Potter, widdow of the sd deceased John Potter./

Whereas John Potter of Mashantatuck in Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narragansett Bay in New England very lately departed this life, & dyeing intested whereby the Care & ordering Concerneing his Estate fell to ye Towne Councill of sd Providence. An Jnventarey of his Estate haveing been already Exhibitted to the Councill & Examined & by them allowed; And whereas you Jane Potter have desired Administration on the Estate of your said deceased Husband John Potter, & haveing to sd | Towne | Councill, for the True & legall Administration | thereon | given in bond: Therefore wee the Now Towne Councill of said Providence do by these presents Comitt unto you the said Jane Potter (widdow of the sd deceased John Potter) the full Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased Husband (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the said Estate faithfully & truely on the same to Administer, & in all perticulars, the same legally to performe according as the law in such Cases doth Require; And from time to time to Render an account unto the Councill of your actings thereon, when by them Required./

By Order of the Councill and on their behalfe
Dated Aprill ye 23d 1711: Tho: Olney Clerk.

Recorded Aprill ye 23d 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk.

[**191**] At a meeteing of the Towne Councill of Providence held the 20th of Aprill 1711 by adjornment from Aprill ye 16th 1711: The last will & Testament of the deceased Elisha Arnold of Pautuxet in Providence who died on the 24th day of March 17$\frac{10}{11}$: hath by the Councill been Examined & by the Councill Proved; the witnesses to sd will haveing all given oath thereunto./ The Record of said will is as ffolloweth;

Jn the Name of God Amen; I Elisha Arnold of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland &ct. being very sick but of Perfect vnderstanding & memory thankes be given to God, therefore Calling to Mind the Mortality of my body, & knowing it is appoynted for all men once to dye & whilst it hath pleased God to give Me abilitye am willing to set my house in Order, Do therefore Make & Ordaine this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following; ffirst & Principally I Recomend my soule into the hands of Almighty God that Gave it, not doubting of Eternall Salvation through the Merritts of his blesed Son Jesus Christ My savior; And as for my Body I Comitt it to the Earth to be decently buryed in Christian like Manner at the discression of My Executrix hereafter Named; And as for what Temporall Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I Give bequeath & bestow in Maner and forme following (viz)

Jmprimis, I give & bequeath to my son Elisha Arnold all my homested house houseing ffarme & Edefices in Pautuxet Where I now dwell with ye appurtenances thereunto adjoyneing to his Heirs & Assignes to have and to hold forever

Jtem I give all my Right & Title in the land at Coweset and Warwick unto my son Ephraim Arnold to him and his Heirs & Assignes to have & to hold forever./

Jtem I give & bequeath all my farme at Rockey Hill with what pertaines to it to my son Elisha Arnold to him & his heirs & Assignes to have & to hold forever; Also I give unto my said son Elisha Arnold my Right on the East side of the seven mile line to have & to hold to him & his heirs and Asignes forever.

Jtem I give my Right in Shantatuck & my land Chapomeset, & my Towne Lott, & my Right without the seven mile line, & all my lands not before disposed of to my son Ephraim to him & his Heirs & Assignes to have & to hold forever./

Jtem I give & bequeath to Each of my Daughters Tenn Pounds apiece to be paid by my Executrix hereafter Named; Also I order that my two aforesaid sons when they shall Come of Age shall Each of them pay the sum of five pounds to every of My daughters if they be liveing./

Jtem I give & bequeath to my dearely beloved wife Susannah Arnold, all my Moveable Estate, & also appoynt her my whole & sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament, to Execute all & every thing that Pertaines to an Executrix; And this & no Other is my last will & Testament, as witness my hand & seale this 22nd day of March 1710, or 1711./

Elisha Arnold

Signed, Sealed, Pronounced & declared by the said Elisha Arnold to be his last will & Testament before us, Thomas ffield, Jsraell Arnold the mark of John X Hawes

Acknowledged the day & yeare above written before me Simo: Smth: Justice./

Aprill ye 20th: 1711 the abovesd will was by the Towne Councill of Providence Examined & Proved; Attests
Tho: Olney, Clerk./

Recorded Aprill y^e 24th, 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk;

[**192**] Here followeth the Record of the last will and Testament of the deceased Thomas Harris of Providence, who departed this life ffebruary y^e 27th 17$\frac{10}{11}$

Know all Persons, That I Thomas Harris of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England being through the Mercy of God indifferently in Bodily health & of good Memory Praised be his Name for Ever; And knowing that it is appoynted for man to dye, I do hereby ordaine Make Constitute & appoynt this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & forme following. Jmprimis; I give and bequeath to my Eldest son Thomas Harris that parcell of land where he now dwelleth in said Providence, & bounded south on land in the Possession of Solomon Thornton, west with the River, North on land lately belonging to Gedion Crafferd, deceased; East on land in My owne Possession, which I bought of John Rice (Excepting six acres of land which I do hereby give unto my son Henry Harris which is to be taken out of that said land where there is a pit dig'd for Mine & a small orchard, and said six acres to be & Remaine to said Henry Harris his Heirs & Assignes for Ever; The aforesd land Containing one hundred & forty acres, or be it More, or be it less;

And I give & bequeath to my said son Thomas Harris a devision of land lieing without the seven mile line as it is Now laid out in said Providence & Containing one hundred

& fifty acres, or be it More or be it less, And also I give him Twelve acres of land on the west side of the River, westward of his house in said Providence And also I give him the One halfe of My Right of land in the Towne of said Providence below the streete where my ffather did dwell, & it to be the North part; All which Parcells of land to be & remaine to my said son Thomas Harris his Heirs & Assignes for Ever./

secondly I Give & bequeath to my son Richard Harris sixty acres of land adjoyneing northward on a Percell of land where he now dwelleth which I gave him by deede, as it is Now laid out, & I give him the one halfe of a Right of Commonage within the seven mile line that I bought of John Rise; All which Parcells of land to be & Remaine to my said son Richard Harris his Heirs & Assignes for Ever; All said lands here given to my said son Richard Harris being in aforesd Providence

And likewise I give him & to his Heirs & Assignes forever one Third part of an acre of land in said Providence Towne it being part of my ffathers Orchard: Thirdly, I give & bequeath to my son Nicholas Harris a Parcell of land where he Now dwelleth whi|ch I| bought of Samuell Scarbro & Stephen Williams Containeing one hundred & fifty acres, be it more or be it less, And also I give him a devision of land without the seven mile line containing one hundred & fifty acres as it is laid out, or be it more or be it less, said Parcells of land being in said Providence; And I give him one third part of an acre of land in Providence Towne it being part of my ffathers Orchard; All which lands to be & Remaine to my said son Nicholas Harris his Heirs & Assignes for ever. ffourthly, I give & bequeath to my son william Harris a Par-

cell of land in said Providence Towne where he now dwelleth; Bound south on the land of John Arnold, East on the High Way, North on land in the Possession of one Adams, & partly on the west River, west on vndevided land; Containeing twelve acres, be it more or be it less; And also I Give to him one six acre Lott that I bought of My vnckle William Harris lieing southward of a Brooke | that Runneth | downe by Henry Estens, Bound west on the Mill River East on the land of Henry Estens South on the undevided land; And also two six acre Lotts lieing in Providence Towne neck, w^ch [193] which was laid out to me in my owne Right: And likewise I give him Twenty acres of land which was my ffathers Right, lieing westward of Richard Clemence house which was his ffaters, near the head of a little Brooke that Runneth into his land; Also the one halfe of my Right of land in Providence Towne below the streete where my ffather did dwell it be the south part: All which said Percells of lands being in said Providence and to be & Remaine to my said son William Harris his Heirs & Assignes forever: ffifthly; I give & bequeath unto my son Henry Harris one percell of land which I bought of Cornelius Higgins lieing at a place Called Sekesocut & halfe a Right of land that I bought of John Rice & laid to it, all Containeing one hundred & Thirty acres, be it More or be it less; Also a devision of land without the seven mile line Containeing one hundred & fifty acres as it is Now laid out, be it More or be it less, and a Parcell of Meaddow lieing by the brooke Called Reapers brooke and another Parcell of Meaddow lyeing by the River that Runneth by Peter Places, And also one third part of an acee of land in Providence Towne it being part of my ffathers Orchard; All which said

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Parcells of land being in said Providence and to be and Remaine unto my said son Henry Harris his Heirs & Assignes forever: ffurther More, I give and bequeath unto my said son Henry Harris the one halfe of that land & halfe of the houseing where I now dwell in said Providence, the whole Containing about one hundred & twenty acres, and being bounded South on a high Way, west on the land by me granted to my son Thomas Harris, North on the land of the Heirs of Silas Carpenter deceased, & East on the River; And the other helfe of said land & houseing I give & bequeath to my loveing wife Elnathan Harris during her Naturall life, and said halfe is to be | in | liew of her Thirds or Dower, And after my wife decease all said lands & houseing with all the improvements thereon to be & Remaine unto my said son Henry Harris his Heirs & Assignes forever: I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid five sons Three Purchase Rights of Comon Equally among them & to their Heirs & Assignes for ever: I give to my daughter Amity Mors Twenty Pounds money, or Other Pay Equivolent. I give to my daughter Elnathan Harris one ffeather bed with all the furniture thereto belonging & one weavers loome with one halfe of all the Tackling that doth thereto belong at my decease, & Twenty Pounds in Money within one yeare after,

And also Amity[s] Legacy is to be paid within one yeare after my decease; I give to my daughter Mary Harris one ffeather bedd & all the furniture thereto belonging & one Weavers loome & the other halfe the Tackling thereto belonging at my decease, and Twenty Pounds Money or other Pay Equivolent withn one yeare after; Lastly, I make my loveing wife Elnathan Harris Executrix & my aforesd son Henry Harris Execu-

tor joyntly to this My last Will & Testament. And I Give unto them all my stock of Neat Cattle, horsekind, sheepe and swine, and all my Carts, Ploughs, Chaines & all other Husbandry Tooles, and my Negro man with the vse & improvement of all the Remainder of my household Goods or Moveable Estate; And they to Pay all my just and lawfull debts & Legacyes out of said stock & Proffts of said land, And at my wife decease, my said Executor to have the Remainder of my stock, one ffeatherbed, Negro Man & all Carts, Plowes Chaines & Tooles belonging to Husbandry. And the Remainder **[194]** Remainder of my beding & household goods to be Equally devided amongst my aforesd three daughters.

And I do hereby vtterly disallow, Revoake & annull all and every other Testaments, Wills, Legacyes, bequeaths and Executors by me in any wise before this time named willed & bequeathed, Ratifying & Confirming this & none other to be my last Will & Testament; Jn witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale this Twenty first day of June in the Eight yeare of the Reign of our Sovereigne Lady Anne over England &c Queene, And in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & Eight;

Signed & Sealed in the presence of James Coggeshall Henry Tew jun^{r}: Richard Tew./

Thomas Harris (HT)

This above written will was signed and sealed by Thomas Harris, and witnessed by James Coggeshall & Henry Tew jun^{r}: & Richard Tew, before me on the yeare & day abouesaid; as attests Henry Tew, Asist|ant|

At a Meeting of the Towne Councill of Providence the above

written will was Examined & Proved, Aprill the 16th, 1711: Attests tho: Olney Clerk./

Recorded Aprill ye 25th, 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventary of the Estate of the deceased Thomas Harris of Providence who died the 27th day of ffebruary 17$\frac{10}{11}$, & was by the Towne Councill at their Meeting Aprill ye 16th 1711 Examined,

An Jnventary of Mr Thomas Harrises Estate, who departed this life on the 27th of ffebruary 17$\frac{10}{11}$./

	lb s d
To 33 sheepe	08–00–00
To 5 Cowes	10–00–00
To A paire of Oxen	07–00–00
To 4 three yeare Old Cattell	07–00–00
To six yearling Cattell	06–00–00
To Cart & Tackling	04–01–00
To A Chaine	00–16–00
To 3 Axes	00–12–00
To An Jron Barr	00–09–00
To Plow Jrons	00–04–00
To A fire slice	00–02–00
To Augers	00–03–00
To Jron	00–01–00
To Jron	00–04–00
To other Jron	00–05–06
To more Jron in the shopp	00–02–00
To more Jron	00–02–00
To two sawes	00–09–06
To Jron Tooles in the shopp	00–03–00
To Horse Chaines	00–05–00

To one brass Pann	01–00–00
To two Gunns	01–10–00
To Jron Tooles	00–05–00
To A Negro Man	10–00–00
To Twenty barrills of sidar	06–00–00
To wheat & Rye	02–10–00
To 100 bushells of Jndian Corne	10–00–00
To Barley	00–16–00
To Oates	00–09–04
To Swine	02–10–00
To a Table & two joynt stooles	00–15–00
To one pair of stilliards	00–15–00
To two great Chaires	00–08–00
To two more Chaires	00–07–06
To A spitt	00–05–00
To A Bull	01–10–00
To Hay	03–04–06
[195]	lb s d
To A Grinding stone	00–02–06
To Empty Caske	00–04–00
To one bed & bedding	07–00–00
To one paire of And Jrons	01–00–00
To A Gunn	01–04–00
To dry hides	01–01–00
To weareing Apparrill	07–00–00
To A paire of Money scales & weights	00–05–00
To kash	03–06–07
To A Chest	00–16–00
To A Trunke	00–10–00
To three Trayes	00–03–00

To A Bible	00–04–00
To A Warmeing Pann	00–07–00
To A Brass Kittle	01–00–00
To A settle	00–04–00
To fire Tongs	00–02–00
To two Trammills	00–10–00
To two Jron Potts	00–10–00
To A Dripping pann & a skillett	00–06–00
To A frying pann	00–06–00
To Pailes	00–06–00
To foure barrills of Meat	12–00–00
To Pewter	02–10–00
To two Candlesticks	00–08–00
To A square	00–02–06
To A Chest	00–04–00
To Three Chests	00–03–00
To Bedds with Bedding	18–12–00
To hoopes & boxes	00–12–00

The above Jnventarey was taken & the goods Apprised on the 22th of March $17\frac{10}{11}$ according to the best of our vnderstanding of what was brought to our vew

Richard X Clemence
his mark.
William Olney. /

Aprill the 16th 1711: at a Towne Councill meeteing in Providence, the widdow of the late deceased Thomas Harris did before the Councill upon her solemne Engagement declare that the above Jnventary Contained all & whole the Moveables of her said deceased husbands Estate that shee knoweth of and if More at any time Come to her knowledge it shall be added: The said widdow

was Elnathan Harris; so also did Henry Harris, both Executors to Thomas Harris his will. /

Recorded Aprill ye 26th 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

At a meeting of ye Towne Councill of Providence Aprill the 20th 1711 by adjornment from Aprill ye 16th 1711: the last will & Testament of Thomas Thornton (deceased) hath been Examined & Proved, & the Jnventary of his Estate also hath been Examined. the Record of said will is as followeth.

The last Will & Testament of Thomas Thornton of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantions in new England being in a sick & weake Condition & knoweing that it is appoynted for all Men Once to dye, & now being in Perfect Mind & Memory; I do first & Principaly Recomend my soule to God that gave it, & my body I Recomend to dust from whence it Came to be decently buried at the discrestion of my Executrix hereafter mentioned: And as touching such worldly things as Estate wherewith it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me in this life with I Give Dismise & dispose of in manner & forme as followeth.

ffirst, I will that my funerall | charge | be paid & discharged.

Jtem I give & bequeath to my true & loveing Wife Margeret Thornton whome I have Constituted & appoynted to be my sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament all [**196**] all my Moveable Estate & to receive all debts due to me, & to pay all my lawfull debts & to have the vse of my now dwelling house duiring her widdowhood, but if my wife should Marrey then my house is to returne to my Eldest son Thomas Thornton when he comes of Age & my wife is to bring up all my Chilldren at her discression.

Jtem I give & bequeath to my son Thomas Thornton all my home stead ffarme Except that part on the west side of the River that Runs through sd farme after he comes to age to be to him his Heirs Executors Administrators & Assignes for Ever; And my said son is to Pay to my two daughters (viz) Patience Thornton & Elizabeth Thornton Ten Pounds apiece in Money or Equivolent thereto when they Come to age, & if Either of them should Dye before they Come of age then the other sister shall receive her Ten Pounds;

Jtem I give & bequeath to my son William Thornton that part of my homestead ffarme on the west side of the aforesd River, & all my Right of lands without the seven mile line, or on the west side of sd line which land I had of Edward Manton upon Exchange to be to him his Heirs Executors Administrators and Assignes for Ever. /

Jtem I do appoynt my Executrix to pay all my funerall Charge; And I hereby Revoke & disanull all other & former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made, Rattifieing & Confirmeing this to be my last Will & Testament.

Also I do appoynt my loveing brother Solomon Thornton & my loveing friend John Sheldon to be the Overseers of this my last Will & Testament to see it performed with my Executrix. /

And in witness of this & all the afore mentioned Premisses I have hereunto set my hand & seale this Twenty fourth day of March in the yeare of Our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & Ten or Eleven. /

Signed Sealed & Pronounst in the presence of us Thomas Harris

Thomas Thornton his X mark. /

Aprill ye 20th 1711: the above Will was

Nicholas Harris by ye Towne Councill of Providence
Josiah Westcot. / Examined & Proved
Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /
Recorded Aprill ye 28th 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of the deceased Thomas Thornton of Providence his Estate./

Providence Aprill the 9th 1711: A true account of the worth & value of the Moveable Estate of Thomas Thornton late deceased, set forth by his widdow Margeret Thornton & Prised by us Leiv^t Thomas Harris & Ensigne Resolved Waterman.

	lb s d
His weareing Apparrill	06–12–00
Bedds & bedding twenty Pounds	20–00–00
Pewter & brass	07–05–00
To Jron waare & a Gunn	06–18–00
To A Piece of Cloath & a skin	05–00–00
To wooden waare	02–10–00
To wooll & flax	02–00–00
To sidar	07–16–00
To Tobacco	01–10–00
To Money & bills	23–00–00
To Corne & meat	10–10–00
To A bible & hatchell & bottles & lookeing glass	01–00–00
To Neat Cattell	41–00–00
To one horse	04–00–00
To swine	03–12–00
To Cloath & hay	07–07–00

An Jnventary taken by us whose Names are above mentioned this 9th day of Aprill according

to the best of our vnderstanding. Thomas Thornton died March 27th 1711 Totall 150–0–0
Errors Excepted;

Examined by the Towne Councill of Providence Aprill the 20th 1711; Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded Aprill ye 28th 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[**197**] Here ffolloweth the Record | of the last will & Testament | of Henry Eustance of the Towne of Providence in ye Collony of Rhode Jsland &ctr:

Jn the name of God Amen: The seventeenth of March in the yeare 17$\frac{10}{11}$: I Henry Eustance of ye Towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England being very sick & weake of Body but of Perfect Mind & Memory, thankes be to God;

therefore Calling to mind the Mortalitye of my Body and knowing that it is appoynted for men once to dye, do make & ordaine this my last will & Testament; That is to say, Principaly, and first of all I Give & Recomend my soule unto God who gave it, and my Body I Recomend to ye Eath to be buried in Christain Manner at the discrestion of my Executrix hereafter Named; And as touching such Worldly Estate as God has blessed me with; I Give, Demise & dispose of in manner as followeth.

Jmprimis: I give & bequeath to my two sons Henry & Cornelius their Heirs & Assignes forever all my lands & meadowes which I have within the Towneshipp of Providence to be thus devided betweene them; (viz) All the lands & Meaddow & Orchard on the west side the Highway or Countrey Roade with my dwelling house, & two load of Grass out of

my swampe on the East side the sd High Way yearely for & duiring the space of Tenn yeares after my decease, and all my Right in Baylies Cove, And my lot of land lieing neere adjoyneing to Daniell Abbotts, & one quarter of a Right of Commonage throughout the Towneshipp (for the one part) and all my land & Meaddow lieing on the East side the said High Way with two Rights in the Thatch bedd at Small brooke & my lot of land on the west side the seven mile line & one quarter of a Right of Common throughout the Towneshipp for the other part: And my son Henry when he comes to the age of Twenty one yeares to have his Choyce of which part he will have, and he that has that part on which my dwelling house & Barne standeth, to be helpeful to his Brother in building him a house on the other part.

Jtem, I give & bequeath to my thre daughters, viz, Elizabeth, Amy and Rebekah five Pounds apiece in Current Money of New England to be paid Equally by my two sons when my sons come to be of full age, and Each of my | sd | Three daughters to be paid by my Executrix, Emediatly after my decease Twenty shillings in money; And my Daughter Aimy to have also at my decease a Cow or a Three yeare old heifer, and my Daughter Elizabeth & Rebekah to have Each of them a Cow delivered & paid to them by my two said sons when they Come of age as aforesaid. And my said three daughters duiring the time they Remaine single & are of a sober Conversation to have free liberty to dwell in my now dwelling house.

Jtem I also give to my two daughters Elizabeth & Aimy all the Estate that I have left which was my first wives to be Equally devided betweene them.

Jtem, I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah all the

Rest of my moveable Estate of what kind & nature soever with a Privelidge of dwelling in my house duiring her naturall life: I also do appoynt my said loveing wife to be my sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament: And do hereby utterly make voyd and | null | all other will or wills by me formerly made; Rattifieing & Confirming this & no other to be my last will and Testament; Jn witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale the day & yeare above Written:

Signed Sealed published pronounced & declared by Henry Eustance as his last will & Testament in the presence of us the subscribers

Anthony Sprague
Benjamin Robinson
Joseph Jenckes jun^{r}:

The mark of
Henry Eustance X
my son Henry willb 14 years old the 29 of August next, and Cornelius will be 13 years old the 9th of March next.

The above written will was by the Towne Councill of Providence at their Councill meeting Aprill the 20th 1711 Examined & Proved As attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded Aprill y^{e} 30th 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[198] Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of the deceased Henry Eustance of Providence who dyed March y^{e} 23^{d}: 17$\frac{10}{11}$

An Jnventarey of the Estate of Henry Eustance of Providence Who departed this life the 23 of March 17$\frac{10}{11}$ Taken by us Whose Names are hereunto subscribe[ ] this 16 of Aprill 1711. /

	lb	s	d
Jm: Wearein Apparrill at	11	00	00
4 Cowes at	12	00	00

2 Steeres at	04–00–00
3 Cowes at	07–10–00
i Cow at	02–10–00
3 Two yeare old heifers at	05–05–00
3 yeare Olds at	03–00–00
20 sheepe at	06–10–00
A Maare at	04–00–00
swine at	02–16–00
Jn Cash at	11–02–00
A bed sted & bedd, & some Covering in ye North Chamber	09–00–00
A Table at	00–10–00
A Chest at	00–04–00
A Trundle bedsted at	00–07–00
A Box and Trunke at	00–06–00
Jn the south Chamber a fether bed & bedsted & furniture at	09–00–00
A Coverlid at	00–12–00
A Gunn at	01–10–00
7 yards of Camlett at	01–08–00
6 yards of Drugget	01–04–00
sarge at	10–10–
A Chest at	00–04–00
Bells & Old Tooles at	04–00–00
A saddle at	01–02–00
ffethers at	00–01–06
salt at	00–06–00
more Toles of all sorts	04–10–00
An Jron Croe at	00–10–00
And Jrons at	00–16–00

Two Trammells at	00–08–00
Jn ye lower Roome in ye Northend a bedd and bedsted & furniture	06–00–00
4 Platters & a basen of Pewter at	02–00–00
Plates & Porringers at	01–01–00
2 Platters & other Pewter & Tinn pann at	00–18–00
Earthen Waare at	00–03–10
A smoothing Jron	00–02–00
A warmeing pann at	00–10–00
A flesh fork & skimmer at	00–02–00
Bookes at	00–12–00
A Spitt at	00–05–00
Chaires at	00–06–00
Old saddle & bridle	00–06–00
A Bench at	00–03–00
Jn the south lower Roome a bed & bedsted & beding	03–00–00
Tables at	00–07–00
A Chest at	00–03–00
3 spinning wheeles at	00–12–00
Halfe bushell a Peck & halfe peck at	00–05–00
Horse Tackling at	00–15–00
A Runlet at	00–02–00
A Pillion & paire of scalles at	00–13–00
Meat at	02–00–00
A brass Kittle & one Jron Kittle at	04–00–00
3 Jron Potts at	01–10–00
2 ffrying Panns at	00–09–00
Tallow	00–02–00
Old wooden waare at	00–04–06

2 Chamber Potts at	00–06–00
2 meat Tubbs & a small Cask at	00–04–00
A skillet & frame at	00–07–00
5 Glass bottles at	00–02–00
Old lumber at	00–12–00
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A wheele barrow at	00–02–00
Cart & Wheeles & Tackling at	05–00–00
Jndian Corne at	08–00–00
15 barrills of Cidar at	04–10–00
Oates at	01–02–06
Rye at	00–09–00
A bushell of Pease & a halfe at	00–07–06
Tobacco at	01–00–00
Harrow & Plow at	00–18–00
Sidar Mill & Press at	01–00–00
more money at	01–02–00
16 yards of Cloath at	03–15–00
Linnen yarne at	01–00–00
ffoure Pound of Cotten	00–06–00

James Browne Errors Excepted,
Thomas Whipple the sum totall is 172–12–04

At a meeteing of the Towne Council of Providence Aprill the 20th 1711 the abovesd written Jnventarey was by said Councill Examined: Attests Tho: Olney, Clerk:

Recorded may the first 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerke

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration from the Towne Councill of Providence to Susanna Arnold of Pautuxet to Administer on the Estate of her deceased husband Elisha Arnold.

Whereas by the last Will & Testament of Elisha Arnold of Pautuxett in Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England, beareing date the 22nd day of March Anno Domini 1710 or 1711, And he departing this life the 24th day of said month, by his said Will Made Constituted & appoynted you Susanna Arnold (his widdow) his Executrix, And the said will haveing by the Towne Councill of sd Towne of Providence been Examined & Proved, & an Jnventary of the Testators Estate haveing been taken & made & by ye Councill Examined & Allowed: therefore wee the said Towne Councill, as namely Joseph Jenckes Assistand & Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all the Rest of the said Towne Councill, Do by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you Susanna Arnold (the aforesd Executrix) full Power of Administration on the Estate of your aforesaid deceased husband, on the same to Administer, & said will truly to observe, performe & Execute in all Poynts & perticulars as the law doth Require according to the true meaneing & intent of said Will: And to Render an account of your, acting thereon unto sd Councill, when by them Required. Dated may ye fourth 1711.

By order of ye Councill and on their behalfe Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

Recorded may ye 7th: 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administeratio|n| fron the Towne Councill of Providence to Mary Carpenter to Administer on the Estate of her deceased husband Benjamin Carpenter of sd Pautuxet, who dyed intested;

Whereas Benjamin Carpenter of Pautuxet in Providence in

the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset bay in New England departed this life the Third day of March Anno $17\frac{10}{11}$, And dyeing intested whereby the Care & ordering concerning his Estate fell to the Towne Councill of sd Providence: An Jnventarey of his Estate haveing already been Exhibitted to sd Councill and Examined & by them allowed: And whereas you Mary Carpenter have desired Administeration on the Estate of [**200**] of your said deceased husband Benjamin Carpenter & haveing to said Towne Councill for the true & legall Administration thereon given in bond: therefore wee the now Towne Councill of sd Providence do by these presents Comitt unto you the said Mary Carpenter (widdow of the said deceased Benjamin Carpenter) the full Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased husband (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the said Estate faithfully & truely on the same to Administer, & in all perticulars the same legally to performe according as the law in such Cases doth Require, & from time to time to Render an Account |un|to ye Councill of your actings thereon when by them Required.

Dated May ye fourth 1711. By order of ye Councill and on their behalfe Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded may ye 7th: 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Whereas at a Meeteing of the Towne Councill of Providence November the 10th: 1710; Alice Browne, Widdow of the deceased Daniell Browne Exhibitted to ye Councill an Jnventarey of her said deceased husband Daniell Browne his Estate; The said Daniell Browne belonging to the Towne of Providence in ye Collony of Rhode Jsland &c^tr^: but died at Newport on

Rhode Jsland, September ye 29th: 1710. The which sd Jnventary was by the Councill Examined & Allowed, And upon the Request of said Alice Browne & Daniell Browne her son, Administeration on the Estate of the said Daniell Browne was unto them both granted by the Councill; The Councill then ordering Tho: Olney (Clerk) of them to receive bond, & then on behalfe of the Councill to signe to them a letter of Administration. / The Record of the the said Jnventarey is as ffolloweth

The Jnventarey of the Moveable Estate of the deceased Daniell Browne of Providence who dyed at Newport on the 29th day of September Anno Domini: 1710.

	lb s d
Jmprimis; To his Weareing Apparrill	04–00–00
To Pewter & spoones all much worne	01–01–00
To an Jron Pott & skillett	00–12–00
To An Jron Kittle, & 2 Jron Trammells & paire of Tongs & fire slice	00–14–00
To 5 wooden Boules & sundrey dishes & Trenchers	00–09–11
To i small Glass Bottle & i frying pan	00–03–06
To i Hetchell	00–03–00
To i old bed & i blanket & i Coverlid & i pair of sheets & i fether pillow & a bolster	02–02–00
To wooll & fethers	01–07–00
To i bed & i Coverlid & a blanket & i paire of sheets i bolster & 2 pillowes	02–17–00
To Cotten Wooll	00–18–00
To new Cloath	01–04–00
To 3 sheets & i bolster	00–16–00
To i Chest & i deske	00–12–00
To 3 old spinning wheeles & 2 pair of Cards	00–16–00
To old bookes	00–02–00

To i smoothing Jron & other old Jron in ye house	00–06–00
To i bed & i Coverlid & a blanket & i pair of sheets i bolster, 2 pillowes & i bedsted	03–06–00
To 3 old Meale baggs & some beanes	00–06–00
To 7 old Chaires	00–09–00
To i Cherne & i firkin & i old Wooden bottle	00–06–00
To Jndian Corne	04–00–00
To i broad Axe & i handsaw	00–12–00
To 3 broad hoes, much worne	00–05–00
To i drawing knife & some other Carpenters Tooles	00–07–06
To i Cidar mill & a Cidar Press & i Jron Pinn	01–01–00
To Apples	05–00–00
To i Logg Chaine	01–03–00
To i old draught Chaine i paire of Plough Jrons	00–12–00
To i Cart & wheeles & Jrons & Jrons belonging to them	1–10–00

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	lb s d
To i paire of small oxen	06–10–00
To 3 Cowes	07–10–00
To i paire of yeare old & vantage steeres	02–00–00
To Twenty sheepe ye most part being lambs ye last spring	04–00–00
To i great brass Kittle	04–10–00
To 7 swine	03–18–00
To i box	00–02–00
To i Table & one Milking Paile	00–05–00
To 2 Pitch forkes & i sith & Tackling for it Old	00–06–00
To i sickle	00–01–00
To 34 markeing Jrons	01–00–00
To A paire of brass deviders & i two foote Rule	00–04–00

To i Barrill of Peach Juce	00–11–00
To i small bull hide	00–03–00
To Hay	05–00–00
To a Parcell of fflax, & i old warmeing pann	00–12–00
To 13 old barrills & sidar which he left at Newport	04–12–00

The above written is a True Jnventary, Errors Excepted, taken & Made October ye 27th Anno 1710, by us

November ye 10: 1710. / The above written Jnventary was at a Towne Council Meeting by ye Councill Examined & Alowed, And Administration thereon granted to Alice Browne & Daniell browne her son; Attests Tho: Olney Clerk;

John Bullock
Richard Browne

Recorded May the 7th 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to Alice Browne & Daniell browne her son to Administer on the Estate of the deceased Daniell Browne:

Whereas Daniell Browne of this Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantatio|ns| in New England departed this life the Twenty & ninth day of September in ye yeare one Thousand seven hundred & Tenn: And dyeing intested whereby the Administration of his Estate fell to ye Care & dispose of ye Towne Councill of said Providence; And whereas you Alice Browne, widdow of the aforesd deceased Daniell Browne, and also Daniell Browne his son haveing desired to take ye Administration on the Estate of your said deceased husband and ffather Daniell Browne, And ye Councill haveing to you granted the same, and you haveing given bond to ye Councill for the legall & true performance thereof: therefore Wee the now Towne Councill of said

Providence (viz) Joseph Jenckes jun^{r}: Assisttant & Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all other ye now Towne Councill of sd Providence do now by these presents Comitt unto you the aforesaid Alice Browne & Daniell Browne the whole Power of Administeration on the Estate of your said deceased husband & ffather the aforesaid Daniell Browne; so farr forth as the law doth us impower; you on the same to Administer, & legally to act do & performe in all perticulars according as the law in such Cases doth Require: and to render an account of your Administration thereon unto the Councill from time to time when by them Required.

Recorded May ye 8th: 1711; ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to Sarah Eustance to Adminester on the Estate of the deceased Henry Eustance, her late husband.

Whereas by the last will & Testament of Henry Eustance of the Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narragansett Bay in New England beareing date the seventeenth day of March 17$\frac{10}{11}$: And he departing this life March the Twenty third 17$\frac{10}{11}$; by his said will made, constituted **[202]** constituted & Appoynted you Sarrah Eustance (his widdow) his Executrix; And the said will haveing by the Towne Councill been Examined & Proved; & an Jnventarey of the Testators Estate haveing been taken & Made, & by y^{e} Councill Examined & Allowed, And you haveing given in bond for the true Executeing of the said will: Therefore wee the said Towne Councill, as namely; Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all the rest of the said Towne Councill,

Do by these presents (so far forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you Sarah Eustance (the aforesaid Executrix) full Power of Administration on the Estate of your aforesaid deceased husband; On the same to Administer & said will truely to Observe, Performe & Execute in all Poynts & Perticulars as the law doth Require according to ye true Meaneing and intent of said Will: And to Render an Account of your acting thereon unto said Councill when by them Required.

Dated may ye 16th, 1711: By order of ye Councill & on their behalfe Tho: Olney Clerk./

Recorded may ye 17th 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk.

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administeration from the Towne Councill of Providence to M^ris Elnathan Harris (widdow of ye late deceased Thomas Harris) & Executrix to the last will & Testam^t: of her sd deceased husband; And to Henry Harris son of the said deceased Thomas Harris, & Executor to his last will & Testament.

Whereas by the last Will & Testament of Thomas Harris of the Towne of Providence, in ye Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in new England (deceased) beareing date the one and Twentyeth day of June in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & Eight, he made Constituted & appoynted you Elnathan Harris (his widdow), his Executrix, and you Henry Harris (his son) his Executor, to Execute & Performe his said | will | , And the said Will haveing by Towne Councill of sd Towne of Providence been, Examined & Proved, And an Jnventary of the Testators Estate havein|g| been Taken & made, & by the Councill Examined; Therefore wee the said Towne Councill, as Namely

Joseph Jenckes, Assistant, & Thomas ffenner Assistant, together with all the Rest of the said Towne Councill, Do, by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you Elnathan Harris (the aforesaid Executrix, and to you Henry Harris the aforesaid Executor) full Power of Administration on the Estate of the aforesd deceased Thomas Harris (your husband, & your ffather) on the same to Administer, and said will truely to observe performe & Execute in all Poynts & perticulars as the law doth Require according to the true meaneing & Jntent of said Will. /

Dated May ye 30th, 1711: By order of the Councill and on their behalfe Tho: Olney Clerk.

Recorded May ye 31: 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

At a Meeteing of the Towne Councill May ye 31 1711: This day John Bolkcom of this Towne of Providence presented | to | the Councill the last will & Testament of his deceased ffather Alexander Bolkcom, beareing date the Twentyeth day of November in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & Two; The which said will was by the Councill Examined & Proved; An Jnventary of said Bolkcom (deceased) his Estate being also to ye Councill presented, & was by ye Councill, also Examinid; Jt was then ordered by the Councill that [**203**] that Thomas Olney (the Clarke) should on the Councill their behalf take bond of sd John Bolkcom, for ye True Executeing of his sd father his will; (sd John Bolkcom being Executor) And said Tho: Olney also on said Councill their behalfe to signe & seale to sd John Balkcom a letter of Administration. /

The Record of the last Will & Testament of Alexander Bolkcom is as followeth. /

Jn the Name of God Amen; The Twentieth day of November, in ye yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & two; I Alexander Bolkcom of Providence in ye Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England (Mason) being in bodily health & of a sound and Perfect memory; Blesed be Almighty God for same; Knowing the vncertainty of this present life, & being desireous to settle that outward Estate the Lord hath given me, Do make & ordaine this my last Will & Testament in Manner & forme following; That is to say, first & Principally I comend my soule into ye hands of ye Almighty God my Creator hopeing to Receive Pardon & Remission of all my sinns, & the salvation of my soule through the Merritts of Jesus Christ alone and my Body to ye Earth to be buried in such decent manner as to my Executo^{r} & Executrix hereafter Named shall be thought Meete & Convenient: And as Touching such worldly Estate as the Lord hath given me my Will & meaneing is that the sam shall be imployed & bestowed as hereafter in & by this my Will is Expressed;

Jmprimis, I do hereby Revoake, Renounde & make voyd all wills by me formerly Made & declared: And appoynt & declare this to be my last Will & Testament;

Jtem: I will that all the debts that I do justly owe to any manner of Person or Persons whatsoever shall be well & truely paid or ordered to be payed by | my | Executrix & Executor hereafter Mamed within a short time after my decease.

Jtem I give & bequeath vnto Alexander Balkcome My Eldest son Two shillings in Money, which with what he hath already Received from me is a Competent portion & all I thinke meete to bequeath unto him.

Jtem I give & bequeath unto Katheren Jenckes, (who is my Eldest daughter) Thirty shillings in money, which with what shee hath already Received from me is a Competent Portion, & all that I thinke Meete to bequeath unto her.

Jtem I give & bequeath unto Sarah Shelding (who is my Second Daughter) two shillings which with what shee hath Received from me is a Competent Portion, & all that I think meete to bequeath unto her.

Jtem I give & bequeath unto John Bolkcome (who is my second son, & to his Heirs Executors, Administrators & Assignes for ever, after my Owne & my wives decease my now dwelling house & all my land scituate lieing & being within the Towneshipp of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations aforesd.

Jtem I do give & bequeath unto ffreegift Bolkcome, (who is my Third son) Two shillings in money, the which with what he hath already Received from me is a Competent portion & all that I thinke meete to bequeath unto him.

Jtem I give & bequeath unto my five younger Children; that is to say, Joseph Balcome, Hannah Balkcome, Samuell Bolckome, Deborah Bolkcome & Liddea Bolkcome all the Remaindor of my Estate consisting in Moveables at the time of my decease to be Equally devided amongst them to be paid unto them & Every of them, their Portions, as soone as the shall arrive unto the age that the law directs for the receiveing Portions: to [**204**] to be paid to them by my Executrix & Executor. /

Jtem, I do hereby Nominate Constitute & Appoynt my beloved wife Jane Balkcome, & John Balkcom my my second son to be my Executrix & Executor of this my last will &

Testament: And further I do hereby desire & impower Joseph Jenckes jun^{r}: and James Browne to be my overseers to se this my last will & Testament Performed according to the true Jntent & Meaneing thereof, & as is above Exprest;

Jn witness whereof I the said Alexander Balkcome have hereunto set my hand & seale the day & yeare first above Written. /

Signed & what is above written was Published & declared by the above named Alexander Balkcome as his last will & Testament, in the Presence of

Sarrah Torrey
William Munroe
Josiah Torrey. /

Alexander Bolkom

Recorded June ye first 1711:
℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here ffolloweth the Record of the Jnventary of the Estate of ye deceased Alexander Bolkcom. /

An Jnventary of the Estate of Alexander Bolkcom deceased May ye fourth, taken by us the subscribers hereof./

	lb s d
To Weareing Apparill	02–06–00
To Bookes	00–10–00
To Pewter & brass	04–06–00
To Jron wares	04–05–00
To Coopers Tooles, Hammer & Trowell	01–17–03
To Chaines & ye Remainder of his Jron Tacklin	03–10–00
To Bedsted & bedding	03–19–00
To Cattle sheepe & horse	12–10–00
To Lumber	02–01–04
	35–04–07

Joseph Chilson
William Sprague, jun^{r}:

May the 31: 1711 the above written Jnventary was by ye Towne Councill of Providence Examined./

Recorded June the first, 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

Since the Jnventarey of ye deceased Elisha Arnold of Pautuxet in Providence was taken & made, there is by his Widdow & Executrix Added to the Jnventary some debts due by bond & booke, which was before forgotten;

The which are as followeth:

ffirst from Joseph Browne	02–10–00
more from Nathaniell Dunham	03–06–00
more from Jeremiah Wheton	00–12–00
more Clement weaver, now deceased	02–04–06
more Jonas Palmer	03–00–00
more Samuell Palmer	01–10–00
more from william Crawfurd ℘ bond	05–00–00
more due by Booke from another	09–00–00

Entred June ye 6th 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

[205] Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration from the Towne Councill to John Balkcome, Executor to his ffather his last Will & Testament.

Whereas by the Last will & Testament of Alexander Balkcome of the Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations &c (deceased) beareing date the Twentieth day of November in ye yeare One Thousand seven hundred & Two, he made Constituted and appoynted you John Balkcome of sd Providence (his son) his Executor; And the said will haveing by ye Towne Councill of sd Providence been Examined & Proved; And an Jnventarey of his Estate haveing been taken, & by sd Councill Examined Therefore

wee ye sd Towne Councill as Namely Joseph Jenckes Assistant, And Thomas ffenner Assistant, together with all the rest of sd Towne Councill, Do by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you John Balkcome (the aforesd Executor) full Power of Administration on the Estate of your aforesd deceased ffather, on the same to Administer and said Will Truely to Observe, Performe and Execute in all Poynts & perticulars as the law doth Require according to ye true Meaneing & intent of said will; And to Render an account of your acting thereon unto sd Councill when by them Required:

Dated July ye 18th: 1711. By order of ye Councill & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded July ye 19th 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the last will & Testam^t: of Thomas Angell of Providence, deceased,

Be it knowne unto all People by these presents That I Thomas Angell of Providence in the Colloney of Rhoad Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England being now very Aged & not knoweing how soone it may please God to Remove me out of this world, and least any discontent or discord should arise after my departure conserning what Estate I shall leave behind; & being desireous that what I do leave may be Enjoyed according as my mind is it should be, Do now whilst I am in some measure of strength and whilst I am of sound & Perfect memory, make ordaine & appoynt this to be my last will & Testament:

first I do make voyd & null all & Every other will by me

made at any time formerly either by word or writeing & this will & Testament only to stand in force.

Jtem I do give & bequeath unto my son John Angell my sixty acres of land lieing within the Towneshipp of Providen|ce| aforesaid in my Right of the first devision, And also my sixty acres of land in the fifty acre or second devision adjoyneing to the same, & lieing & being neere the place Caled Cauńcauńjáwaćchuck to be unto him, his Heirs & Assignes forever. As also the one halfe of my Right of Commoning within the said Providence Towneshipp so farr west as the seven mile line, that is to say for Commoning or feeding of Cattell Cutting of Timber or firewood or any other vse wch Commoning is Considered in, saveing onely makeing Claime to any devision of land thereby; that shall not be; As also together with the said halfe Righ of Comon, the one halfe of my Right of lands & Commoning I do give & bequeath which lieth on the west side of the seven mile line, unto my said son John Angell to be unto him his Heirs & Assignes for[ ]ver together with all & every their Appurtenances. /

[**206**] Jtem, I Do give & bequeath unto my son James Angell my dwelling house which standeth in the aforesaid Providence Towne next unto the streete, and my house lott or home share of land whereon the said house standeth, together with my other house lott or home share of land to it adjoyneing, as also all my meaddowes, & my Twenty acres of land lieing on Wayboysett side of the water neere the Cove Called Hawkins his Cove; And my six acres of land lieing in that Tract of land Called the neck where the Cove or salt Creeke called Bailies Cove lieth neere unto | the | said six acres of Land; As also my Tenn acres of

land, lieing in the valley bordering upon the Northerne side of the River Called Wanasquatuckett, And not farr from Thomas Olney of Providence aforesaid his orchard & meaddowes lieing upon the said River; And also halfe my Right of Comoning within the Plantation of Providence aforesd so farr West as the seven mile line, with all the lands which are yet devideable, or may yet, or hereafter be devided or laid out on the East side of the seven mile line unto a whole Purchase Right of Common: As also the one halfe of all my lands & Common within the Towneshipp of Providence aforesaid lieing on the west side of the seven mile line: All which said lands meaddowes & Common, with my aforesd dwelling house together with my Barne, & all other my houseing (the house which I now dwell in only Excepted) to be unto my said son James Angell, to him his Heirs & Assignes forever, together with all & every their Appurtenances.

Jtem I do give & bequeath unto my daughter Anphillis Smith & unto my daughter Mary Arnold, & unto my daughter Deborah sabeere, & unto my daughter Alice whipple, & unto my daughter Margery whipple unto Each of them two shillings in silver Money to be paid unto them by my Executor hereafter & Executrix hereafter Named:

Jtem I do give & bequeath unto my loveing wife Alice Angell my now dwelling house wherein I now dwell to be unto her for her vse duiring the time of her Widdowhood; and in Case shee Marrey not, then for the sd house to be unto her duiring the terme of her naturall life with a small plot of land adjoyneing to the said house for a little Garden; As also before the said house Conveniency of yard Room As also free Egresse & Regress for her to pass & repass as shee may have Ocation

through any of the afore devised lands: But in Case my said wife |do| Marrey then at the day of her marriage shall the said house & small Plot of land come into the hands of my said son James Angell with all ye Privelidges aforesaid to be unto him his Heirs & Assignes forever; but in case shee marrey not, then shall the said house & sd small Plot of land with the said Privelidges Come into the hands of my said son James Angell after the decease of his mother to be unto him & his Heirs & Assignes forever; And that my sd son James Angell shall keepe the said house in such Repare as may be Comfortable for his said mother to dwell in duiring the time of her makeing use thereof as aforesaid. I do also give unto my wife one milch Cow to be her owne, & that the said Cow shall be by my sd two sons (viz) John Angell & James Angell constantly, both summer|ed| & wintered for the vse of my said wife, & when the said Cow by Reason of Age or other thing which may make her unfit for milke doth faile, then shall my said son James take that said Cow himselfe & put another in its Roome, & so in Case any Causalty befalls at any time what cow is so for my sd wife her vse as afore Exprest then shall my said son James still put another Milch Cow in its Roome; the which sd Cow shall be at my sd wife her dispose, Either if shee marrey or at her death; And that my said two sons John Angell & James Angell their Heirs Executors Administrators & Assignes shall yearely pay unto my [**207**] my said wife (their mother) sixteene shillings in money untill shee marrey, & in case shee marrey not, then duiring the terme of her naturall life; the which said sixteene shillings shall yearely be the one halfe paid by my said son John & the other halfe by my said son James. And that my said | two | sons John

Angell & James Angell their Heirs, Executors, Administrators & Assignes shall take Care & shall provide for the Comfortable maintenance of my said wife duiring the terme of her Widdowhood, & if she marrey not, then duiring the terme of her naturall life; And that such Care shall by them be taken & such Provision by them be made that my said wife may sufficiently, suteably & Comfortably be kept & maintained both in health & in sickness with sutable tendance & all other Nessesareys as her Condition shall Constantly Require; the which Charge shall be Equally borne by my said two sons; But in Case my sd two sons shall neglect or faile, or Either of them their Heirs Executors Administrators or Assignes shall Neglect or faile of the performance thereof, Then shall a third part of the defective party their lands afore devised be unto my said wife for her vse & Proffitt duiring the terme of her widdowhood, & if shee marrey not, then duiring the terme of her naturall life; The which Third part of the said lands shall be the third part of ye same which may be most Advantag|e|ous to my said wife. I do also give & bequeath unto my said wife all my household goods to be her owne & at her owne dispose; That is to say all my Bedds bedding, Cloathing both woollen & linnen, & all sorts of vessells both Jron, Brass, Pewter, wood & all other things to the house belonging which are Nessesary for house keepeing which may be Counted household goods: Table linnen as well as other is included; as also if any moneys be left at my decease, the same I do give unto my said wife.

Jtem I do give & bequeath unto my son James Angell all my Cattell of all sorts only Excepting one Cow which I have before disposed of to my wife; As also unto my said son

James Angell I do give all my Tooles of what sort soever & all other my Estate both Moveable goods and Chattells not before dispossed of: And unto my said son James I do give to him his Heirs & Assignes forever all other my lands Rights Jnterests & Titles whatsoever not before disposed of. And I do make ordaine Constitute & appoynt my loveing wife Alice Angell my lawfull Executrix & my son James Angell my lawfull Executor, both Joyntly, unto whome I do give all my debts unto me from any Person due, & they to pay all debts from me to any person due; & to see that my body be decently buried & to Execute & performe this my will according My true meaneing & intent therein, And I do desire and appoynt my loveing friends & neighbours Nathaniell Waterman & Thomas Olney to be the overseers of this my Will./ Jn witness of the Premisses I do here unto set my hand | & seale | the Twenty & third day of may in the yeare one Thousand six hundred Eighty & five.

Signed & Sealed in the presence of us Thomas Olney, Nathaniell Waterman, Epenetus Olney:

The marke of X Thomas Angell

Be it knowne unto all People by these presents that I the aforesd Thomas Angell do Add this as a Coddicill to my aforesaid will; That is, I do also give & bequeath unto my said son John Angell, unto him his Heirs & Assignes for ever my Ten acres of land which was unto me laid out in luie of my Right of my share of Meaddow in the second or fifty acre devision, it lieing & Adjoyneing to my afore specified lands neere Cauncaunjawatchuck; The which sd Ten acres of land

was forgotten before before when the other lands was disposed of; Jn witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand the Twenty & third day of May in the yeare one Thousand six hundred Eighty & five.

Signed in th presence of us, The mark of X Thomas
Thomas Olney Angell
Nathaniell Waterman James Angell Executor to the abovesd
Epenetus Olney. / will appeared this day before the Towne
[**208**] Towne Councill of Providence being the 18th day of September 1694 & made oath unto the said will: Thomas Olney; Nathaniell waterman & Epenetus Olney, the 18th of September 1694 appeared before the Towne Councill of Providence & attested upon Engagement unto the abovesd will as Witnesses. /

The 18th of September 1694 the Towne Councill of Providence have Examined & do approve the aforesd will; Attests Joseph Jencks Assistant Steven Arnold Assistant, Joseph Williams Assistant

Recorded August ye 15th 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk.

Here ffolloweth the Record of the last will & Testament of Alice Angell of Providence (deceased

Be it knowne unto all People by these presents That I Alice Angell of the Towne of Providence in the Narraganset Bay in New England (widdow) being now very weake of Body but (through mercy) of sound & Perfect memory do make this to be my last will & Testament. I do give & bequeath unto my foure | daughters | (viz) Anphillis Smith, Deborah Sabeer, Alice Whipple and Margery Whipple all my weareing Apparrill both Woollen & linnen Equally to be devided amongst them,

& more over to my Daughter Deborah Sabeer I give one Chamber Pott & two wooden Trayes which formerly belonged to my son Hope, & also I give unto my daughter Alice Whipple one Trunke & a Deske which my mother gave to me;

Jtem I do give & bequeath to my son James Angell five Pounds in money.

Jtem All the Remainder of my goods not before disposed of I do give unto my Two sons (to witt) John Angell & James Angell Equally to be betweene them two devided; And I do make ordaine & appoynt my son James Angell to be my Executor who shall see that my Body be decently buried and performe this my will according to my true Meaneing & intent therein, Jn witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand & seale the one & Twentyeth day of October Anno: One Thousand six hundred ninty & foure.

And farther my will is, that Each of my foure daughters aforesd shall have so much of my Pewter as may be for a Remembrance of me.

memorandum the three lines & the piece of line blotted out was allowed of by ye Testator, it being something mistaken by the scribe & should not have been there. /

Signed & Sealed in the presence of
Tho: Olney
Nathaniell Waterman
Epenetus Olney. /

The mark of X Alice Angell

James Angell Executor to the Will on the other side of this Paper Written; & Tho: Olney & Nathaniell Waterman & Epenetus Olney witnesses to the said will, have the 15th day of Januarey 169$\frac{4}{5}$ given Engagement unto the sd Will. / The sd

will hath the 15th day of Januarey 169⅘ been Examined by the Towne Councill of Providence. /

Attests Tho: Olney Towne Clarke. /

Recorded August ye 18th 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth a Record of ye Jnventary of the Estate of ye deceased Thomas Angell of Providence.

The Jnventary of the Estate of ye deceased Thomas Angell, Taken & made the 21 of Januarey 169⅘

		lb s d
	as followeth. /	
	A great Coate	01–15–00
Jt	2 Cotten shirts	00–14–00
Jt	i Dowlas shirt	00–10–00
Jt	i old much worne fflannill shirt	00–03–06
Jt	A west coat & a ℘ of Breeches	00–17–06
[**209**]		lb s d
Jt	A ℘ of Drawers & 2 old Coates	00–09–00
Jt	i Hatt, old & out of fashon	00–03–00
Jt	2 ℘ of Old stockins	00–03–00
Jt	2 yardes of homespun Raw Cloath	00–08–00
Jt	T more old Cloathes little worth	00–01–06
Jt	i ℘ of New shooes & a ℘ of very old ones	00–05–06
Jt	3 old Bolsters, not fethers, & 2 pillowes & an old straw bed	00–18–00
Jt	A very old flock bedd much worne & light	00–12–00
	| a fether bed & bolster	03–00–00|
Jt	A ffether bed & boulster	03–00–00
Jt	An old Boulster & 3 old Pillowes	00–08–00
Jt	i ℘ of Cotten & linnen sheetes, & one ℘ of all linnen sheetes	01–16–00

Jt	4 ℔ of Tow sheetes	02–00–00
Jt	i shirt, old	00–03–06
Jt	i ℔ of fine Pillow beers	00–08–00
Jt	5 Pillow beers	00–15–00
Jt	5 Napkins	00–05–00
Jt	4 Towells & a small Table cloath	00–05–00
Jt	2 Pillow beeres	00–06–00
Jt	i ℔ of Blancketts	01–10–00
Jt	i ℔ of Dutch Blancketts	02–00–00
Jt	i Rugg called a smooth Rugg	01–10–00
Jt	i Coverlidd	01–10–00
Jt	i ℔ of Old Blanketts	00–15–00
Jt	i old worne out Rugg	00–05–00
Jt	3 old linnen Cloths that things were wrapt in	00–05–00
Jt	3 old Blanketts	00–07–00
Jt	2 Basens & a Pewter Platter	00–12–00
Jt	2 Chamber Potts	00–08–00
Jt	1 leakey 2 pint Potts old & 1 halfe pint pott	00–06–06
Jt	2 old Pewter small dishes, 2 Poringers, 2 spoones	00–05–08
Jt	An old small Bason & Porringers, sausers & 2 old spoons	00–02–00
		28–02–08
Jt	2 old Bell mettle Possnetts, a Brass Candle stick a Brass Morter & Pestle	00–15–00
Jt	An old Brass Chafeing dish & a Brass skillett no frame, worne out & patcht	00–02–00
Jt	4 Jndian woodden dishes, 2 Trayes & a boule	00–08–00
Jt	i Old Turned boule, a dish, a platter & a skim dish	00–01–00

Jt	3 old brall Kittells, little better then old Brass	01–00–00
Jt	i old lanthorne & a kallebash bottle	00–02–00
Jt	i old Runlett	00–00–06
Jt	i old Earthern Pott a Pann & small dish	00–01–00
Jt	i small Jron Pott & small old Jron Kettle	00–10–00
Jt	i ffrying Pann	00–04–00
Jt	i old warmeing Pann	00–06–00
Jt	i Tramill & an eetch hooke, an old Grid Jron, a ℔ of Pot hookes, a ℔ of Tongs, a slice handle, & a spitt & ℔ of bellowes	00–11–00
Jt	6 Glass Pint bottells	00–02–00
Jt	4 long neckt Glass bottels	00–02–00
Jt	3 Old spoones	00–00–06
Jt	An old lookeing Glass	00–01–06
Jt	2 Pokett handkercheifs 3 Neckcloaths	00–10–00
Jt	2 Callico Neckcloaths	00–02–00
Jt	7 linnen Capps	00–04–00
Jt	i Pillow beere	00–02–00
Jt	3 beddsteds	01–00–00
Jt	3 chests & a box & another box with drawers	02–02–00
Jt	1000 of Pinns	00–02–00
Jt	5 chaires	00–12–00
Jt	Old Tubbs & such lumber	00–05–00
Jt	i old draught Chaine	00–05–00
Jt	Jn money	05–00–00
Jt	A Table	00–10–00
Jt	A Jount forme	00–04–00
Jt	A settle	00–06–00
	The sum Totall, Errors Excepted, amounts to	15–10–06
		43–13–04

This abovesd Jnventarey is a true & just apprisall of ye Estate of sd Thomas Angell of what was brought to our vew: Taken & made the day & yeare abovesd by us Nathaniell Waterman, Tho: Olney:/ The 12^f of ffebruarey 1694/5, James Angell Executor to ye last will of ye deceased Tho: Angell hath made Oath to the trueth of sd Jnventary above written, & also Tho: Olney & nath^ll: waterman./ Recorded August ye 20th 1711: ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk./

[**210**] Here followeth ye Record of the Jnventary of the Estate of ye deceased Alice Angell of Providence.

The Jnventary of the Estate of ye deceased Alice Angell; Taken & made January ye 21: 169⅘. /

Jmprimis, weareing Apparrill. /	lb s d
Jt 7 white linnen square Neckcloathes	00–14–00
Jt 2 blue neckcloathes	00–03–00
Jt 3 Capps	00–05–00
Jt 8 Capps & Coyfes, white linnen	00–08–00
Jt 6 head dressings & four Cross Cloathes	00–10–00
Jt 4 ℔ of Gloves & a Poket handkercherf	00–05–00
Jt Other small weareing linnen old & worne	00–10–00
Jt 2 blue Aprons, i Greene apron, & one home-spun one	00–18–00
Jt 2 wast Coats	00–12–00
Jt 3 Petty Coates	01–17–06
Jt 2 fine shifts & 2 old ones	01–04–00
Jt sevrall other Coats, i ℔ of bodyesses & other Apparrill old & much worne	01–10–00
Jt i ℔ of new stockins & other old stokins & shooes	00–06–00
Jt 5 Pounds in Money	05–00–00

Jt	A Trunke & a Deske	0–10–00
Jt	3 Old bolsters, not fethers, 2 pillowes, & an old straw bedd	00–18–00
Jt	A very old flock bedd much Worne & light	00–12–00
Jt	A ffether bed & bolster	03–00–00
Jt	A ffether bed & bolster	03–00–00
Jt	An old bolster & 3 old Pillowes	00–08–00
Jt	i ℔ of Cotten linnen sheets, & i ℔ of all linnen sheets	01–16–00
Jt	4 ℔ of Tow sheets	02–00–00
Jt	i ℔ of fine Pillow beers	00–08–00
Jt	5 Pillow beers	00–15–00
Jt	5 Napkins	00–05–00
Jt	4 Towells & a small Table Cloath	00–05–00
Jt	2 Pillow beers	00–06–00
Jt	i ℔ of Blancketts	01–10–00
Jt	i ℔ dutch Blancketts	02–00–00
Jt	i Rugg Called a smooth Rugg	01–10–00
Jt	i Coverlidd	01–10–00
Jt	i ℔ of old Blancketts	00–15–00
Jt	i old worne out Rugg	00–05–00
Jt	3 old linnen Cloathes that things were wrapt in	00–05–00
Jt	3 old Blanketts	00–07–00
		35–07–06
Jt	2 basens & a Pewter Platter	00–12–00
Jt	2 Chamber potts	00–08–00
Jt	i leakey quart pot, 2 pint pots old, & i halfe pint pott	00–06–06
Jt	2 old Pewter small dishes, 2 Poringers, 2 spoones	00–05–08

Jt	An old small bason & Porringers a saucer & 2 old spoons	00–02–00
Jt	2 small old Bell Mettle posnetts, a brass Candlestick a brass morter & Pestle	00–15–00
Jt	An old brass Chafeing dish & a brass skillet, no frame, worne out & Patcht	00–02–00
Jt	4 Jndian woodden dishes, 2 Trayes & a boul	00–08–00
Jt	i old Turned boul, a dish, a platter & a skim dish	00–01–00
Jt	i old Lantheron & a kallebash bottle	00–02–00
Jt	i old Runlet	00–00–06
Jt	i old Earthen pot, a Pann & small dish	00–01–00
Jt	3 old brass Kittles, little better than old brass	01–00–00
Jt	i small Jron Pott & small | old | Jron Kittle	00–10–00
Jt	i ffrying Pann	00–04–00
Jt	i old warming pan	00–06–00
Jt	i Tramill, an Eech hooke, an old Grid Jron, a ℔ of Pott hookes, a ℔ of Tongs, a slice handle & a spitt & ℔ of bellows	00–11–00
Jt	6 Glass pint bottles	00–02–00
Jt	4 long necked bottles of Glass	00–02–00
Jt	3 old spoones	00–00–06
Jt	An old lookeing Glass	00–01–06
Jt	i Pillo beere	00–02–00
[211]		lb s d
Jt	3 bedd steds	01–00–00
Jt	3 Chests, a box, & another box with drawers	02–02–00
Jt	1000 of Pinns	00–02–00
Jt	5 Chaires	00–12–00
Jt	Old Tubbs & such Lumber	00–05–00
Jt	A Table	00–10–00

Jt	A Joynt forme	00–04–00
Jt	A settle	00–06–00
		10–17–08
	The sum Totall, Errors Excepted, amounts to	46–05–02

The abovesd Jnventarey is a just appriseall of y^e^ Estate of sd Alice Angell; of what was brought to our vew, Taken & Made y^e^ day & yeare abovesd by us Tho: Olney, Nathaniell Waterman. The 12^f^ day of ffebruary 169$\frac{4}{5}$ James Angell the Executor of the deceased Alice Angell hath made oath to the truth of y^e^ Jnventary above written; And also Tho: Olney & Nathaniell Waterman. /

Recorded August y^e^ 21: 1711 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk.

Here followeth the Record of y^e^ last will, and Testament of Benjamin Hearnden of this Towne of Providence who departed this life ye 18th day of Aprill Anno: 1694. /

I Benjamin Hearnden | of ye Towne | of Providence in the Narragansett Bay in New England being very sick & weake of Pody, but yet through Mercy of perfect Memory do make this my last will & Testament; hereby Revokeing, makeing Null & voyd all & Every former will by me at any time Made Either by Word or writeing, & this will only to stand in force,

My will is that my two sonnes Benjamin and John shall have all my lands & Meaddow lieing and being on the south side of the River Called Westquadomesett brooke to be Equally devided betweene them & to be unto them & their Heirs & Assignes for ever, but their mother to have the vse thereof untill they come to ye age of Twenty & one yeares; And that my dwelling house & out houseing & all my lands on ye north

side of ye said River shall be unto my Wife Liddea Hearnden for & duiring the terme of her naturall life, and after her decease all the said lands & house & all my Common shall be equally devided betweene my aforesaid two sonnes to be unto them their Heirs & Assignes for ever.

I do also give & bequeath unto My three daughters Dorothy, Liddea & Elizabeth six sheepe to be delivered to them, Each of them two, or two unto Each by my Executrix hereafter Named at the day of Marriage or at twenty & one yeares of age which first Cometh.

And that my Will is that my loveing wife Liddea Hearnden shall have all my Moveable Estate; all my goods of all sorts, & all my Cattell of all sorts whatever, & all chattells that are mine to be her owne to dispose thereof as shee shall see Cause; And I do Comitt all my Children to my said wife to take the Care of for their bringing upp & disposeing of. /

And I do make & appoynt my said wife to be my Executrix unto whome I do give all my debts, & shee shall pay all my debts & see my body decently buried: Jn [**212**] Jn Witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand & seale the seventeenth day of Aprill Anno: 1694.

Signed & Sealed in ye presence of Tho: Olney, John Whipple Samuell Whipple.

The mark of X Benjamin Hearnden

The 30th of May 1694 this will was by ye Towne Councill of Providence Examined and Approved,

Attests Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /

Recorded November ye 2nd 1711: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth a Record of ye Jnventarey of ye deceased Benjamin Hearndens Estate. /

The Estate of Benjamin Hearnden who deceased ye 18th Day of May 1694. /

		lb s d
Jmprimis, 2 Oxen, 2 Cowes, foure 3 yeare old Cattell,		
Jt	One Calfe & Two Heifers	15–15–00
Jt	One horse	01–10–00
Jt	11 old sheepe & 10 lambs	02–06–00
Jt	A Cart & Teame Tackling	02–18–00
Jt	A Sith & Tackling	00–04–00
Jt	Three small swine	00–12–00
Jt	One Axe & Carpenters Tooles	01–00–00
Jt	Household Goods	03–10–00
Jt	Boytle & wedges & a hoe	00–05–00
Jt	weareing Apparrill	01–00–00
	Totall	29–00–00

if no mistake in makeing up

This Jnventarey was taken & made ye day & yeare abovesd by us william Hearnden

The mark of X John Hearnden./

Moreover 2 Gunns before omitted 02–00–00

This Jnventarey hath ye 30th of May 1694 been by ye Towncill Examined; The Executrix to the last will & Testament of Ben: Hearnden upon Engagem^t^: before ye Councill declareth, y^t^ if anything more of ye said Estate do at any time Come to be knowne by her it shall be brought forth & Added to ye Jnventarey: Attests Tho: Olney

Towne Clerk of Providence. /

Recorded ffebruarey ye 13th 1711/12 ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk

Vpon the 25th day of March 1712 the last will & Testament of William whipple of this Towne of Providence (deceased) was Exhibitted to the Towne Councill & was by them Examined & Proved; The Record of sd will is as followeth. /

Jn the name of God Amen, I William Whipple of the Towne of Providence in her Majestyes Coloney of Road Jsland & Providence Plantations in new England, being weake in body yet by the Blessing of God of sound & perfect memory; And I knowing that all | men | are subject to Mortallitye, and not knowing how soone it may please God to Remove me out of this life, I do make this my last Will & Testament, hereby makeing voyd all former Wills by me made either by Word or writeing & this only to stand in force as my last will & Testament. /

ffirst I bequeath my spirit to God that gave it and my body to the Earth to be desently buried at the descretion of my Executor hereafter Named,

secondly I Give to my Loving son william whipple all my lands & house & improvements whatsoever; hee paying such Legacies as I shall obleidge him to; Thirdly I give to my [**213**] my loveing son Seth Whipple Thirty Pounds, to be paid to him after he shall attaine to the age of one & twenty yeares, to be payd by my Executor as he shall be able. ffourthly, I Give to my loveing Daughter Mary Sprague Ten pounds to be paid to her by my Executor as my Executor shall be able, which Ten Pounds is besides what I have already given to her, which is one Cow & Calfe & Eight Sheepe & Eight lambs, besides what household stuff I have already given to her:

ffiftly, my Will is that my son william Whiple shall main-

taine his loveing Mother mary whiple my wife with all such nessecary things as shee shall have Ocation for duireing her Naturall life; And if shee see cause to dwell with Either of my other Children then my said son william shall allow to his sister or brother where my loveing wife shall make her aboad according to her Nessesity, & his Ability. Sixtly I Constitute & Appoynt my loveing son william Whipple my Executor to Execute my last will & Testament, to pay all my just Debts, & Receive all my just debts, and to se my Body desently buried; And in Confirmation of this my last Will & Testament I have hereunto set my hand & seale this Twenty & Seventh day of ffebruarey in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred & Eleven or Twelve And Eleventh yeare of the Reign of Our Sovereig|n| Lady Anne, by the Grace of God Queene of Great Brittan. /

Signed, Sealed, published William X Whipple
and declared in the presence his marke
of us Job Whipple
Thomas X Hopkins
his mark
william Hopkins

vpon the Twenty & fifth day of March Anno, Domini: One Thousand seven hundred & Twelve the above Written Will was by the Towne Councill of Providence Examined & by them Approved: The Executor in sd will named, & the witnesses unto said will annexed haveing before the Councill made Oath thereunto

Attests Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

Recorded March y^e 28th 1712; ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk.

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventary of the Estate of the deceased William Whipple of the Towne of Providence, who departed this life march y^{e} 9th Anno: 17$\frac{11}{12}$:

An Jnventary of y^{e} Estate of william Whipple who deceased march the 9th: 17$\frac{11}{12}$ Taken by the subscribers under written the fifteenth day of March 17$\frac{11}{12}$

	lb s d
To weareing Apparrill woolen & linnen	04–04–00
To two Gunns, one at 24^{s}, the other bell mossell at 25^{s}	02–09–00
To shooes & stockins 7^{s}, to one small bed & furniture 5^{lb} 17–09	06–04–09
To two beds & furniture belonging thereunto at Eight pounds 3 shillings & six pence a piece	16–07–00
To Thirty pound of woollen yarne at 3^{lb}; and 12 pound of Coverlid yarne 12^{s}	03–12–00
To worsted yarne 14^{s}, to Cotton & wooll Cloath 20^{s} to two sheets 10^{s}	02–04–00
To Cotten & linnen Cloath 6^{s} 9^{d}, to one Chest 5^{s} to sheeps wooll 6^{s} 6^{d}	00–18–03
To ten pound fethers 15^{s}, to flax 8^{s}, to lether 2^{s} 6^{d}	01–05–06
To Grain, English Graine 3^{lb} 4^{s} 9^{d}, to brass fifty shillings	05–14–09
To Jron Potts & kettells & frying panns	03–09–09
[**214**] To And Jrons two paire 26^{s} to Grid Jron & slice and Tongs & Tramills 17^{s}	02–03–00
To saddles & Pannell 25^{s}, & two bridles 2^{s}, to sledges and Axe 8^{s}	01–15–00
To Old Jron tooles 26^{s} 2^{d}, to horse tackling 12^{s} 6^{d}, to chaine 7^{s}	02–05–08
To two Jron Staples & Rings 7^{s}, to Cart & wheeles 12^{s} Grindstone 6^{s}	01–05–00

To beetle & wedges 3^{s} 6^{d}, to Pewter 28^{s} 6^{d}, to books 6^{s}	01–18–00
To old lumber 34^{s}, to two wheeles 8^{s} to Chairs 4^{s} to Tobacco 10^{s}	02–16–00
To Sith & Tacklin 10^{s}, to meat & butter 2^{lb} 14^{s} to Jndian Corne 2^{lb}	05–04–00
To boards 6^{s}, to two Oxen 9^{lb}, to five Cowes 15^{lb} to hefers 35^{s}	26–01–00
To yearelings, 3^{lb}, to 3 maares 5^{lb}, to four swine 32^{s}	09–12–00
To twenty seven sheepe at six shillings apiece	08–02–00
Additon to Eleven yards ½ bedd ticking a 5^{s} a yard	02–17–06
To two Razors 2^{s} 6^{d}, lookeing Glass	00–03–00
To Plough Jrons 6^{s}, one Jron Barr 7^{s}	00–13–00
sun Totall	110–14–02

Valentine Whittman
Edward Smith
Anthony Sprague

The Apprisers of the Estate of the deceased William Whipple of the Towne of Providence whose names are annexed to the above written Jnventary came upon the 25th day of March Anno Domini: 1712 before the Towne Councill of Providence, & did upon their oath declare that what is Contained in the written Jnventary above Exprest is a faire & just apprisall to the best of their vnderstanding of all the things wch were brought forth to their vew:

The Twenty fifth of March 1712 William Whipple the son of the aforesd deceased William Whipple did also appeare before the aforesaid Towne Councill & as he was Executor to the last will & Testament of his said deceased ffather did upon oath declare that what was Contained in the above written Jnventary was the full & whole of his sd deceased ffather

his Moveable Estate so farr as he knew, & if any more at any time do Come to his knowledge it shall be brough forth & Added to this Jnventary

This above written Jnventary haveing been by the Councill Examined is by the Councill Alowed. /

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

The above written Jnventary is Recorded in Providence Towne | Councill | bo|o|ke this booke | it | being Recorded part on the other side of this leafe & part on this side of ye leafe.

Recorded march y^e 31: 1712. ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to William Whipple to Administer on the Estate of his deceased father William Whipple, he being Executor to his sd father by his last will & Testament beareing date the 27th day of februarey 17$\frac{11}{12}$:

whereas William Whipple of this Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Rhoade Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narragansett Bay in New England departed this life the Ninth day [**215**] day of March 17$\frac{11}{12}$: And by his last Will & Testament bearing date the 27th day of ffebruary in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & Eleven or twelve he Constituted made & apoynted you William Whipple his son to be his Executor to Execute & performe his said Will; And the said Will haveing been Exhibeted to the Towne Councell of said Providence and by them been Examined & Proved: the Jnventarey of his Estate also by them haveing been Examined & Allowed, and you haveing already given bond to the Councill; The Towne Councell of

said Providence Do therefore now by these presents comitt unto you the full Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased ffather (so farr forth as the law doth us impower;) on the said Estate for you the said William Whipple, son & Executor of the aforesaid deceased William Whipple, to Administer and faithfully to performe your Administration thereon in all poynts & perticulars legally according as the law Requires an Executor to do; And Execute your said father his sd Will according to the true meaneing & intent thereof;

Dated Aprill the 12th 1712

By order of the Councell & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk:

Recorded Aprill ye 14th: 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk.

Aprill the 22nd 1712 Richard Waterman the son of the deceased Nathaniell Waterman of this Towne of Providence presented unto the Towne Councell of sd Providence the last will of his sd deceased father for their Examination thereof; The said Councill haveing Examined the same, the three witnesses unto the sd will haveing before the Councill made Oath thereunto the Councill approved thereof; the Record of the sd will is as followeth:

I Nathll: Waterman of Providence in the Colony of Rhod Jsland being sick & weake of Body but throug|h| mercy of sound & perfect memory & calling to mind my Mortallity do make this my last will and Testament.

Jmprimis; I Give to my loveing Grandsons the two Zuriell Watermans all my lands in the Place called Wesquenoid in the Colony aforesd to be Equally devided betwixt them my two sd Grandsons (viz) Zuriell Waterman son of my son Richard

Waterman, and Zuriell Waterman son of my son Nath^{ll}: Waterman; and the said lands to be to the only Proper vse & behoofe of my aforesd Grand sones their Heirs & Assignes for Ever;

Jtem, I Give to my son Richard Waterman Twenty acres of land to be taken up on the Easterne side of the seven mile line in sd Providence for allowance of lands y^{t} Providence men have taken up within Pautuxet lands, the said Twenty acres of land to be to him my said son Richard Waterman his Heirs & Assign|e|s forever.

Jtem I Give to my son Benjamin Waterman all the Remaineing part of that my lands that is to be taken up in my Right according to the agreement of the men of Pautuxett & the Men of Providence; the said lands to be to my said son Benjamin Waterman his Heirs & Assignes forever.

But as to all my lands in Pautuxett, I have intended that it shall be to my son Nath^{ll}: Waterman his Heirs & Assignes for Ever; But Provided he Enjoyes & Possesses said lands without much Trouble or charge, that then he shall alow his Brother Benjamin Waterman a quantetye of said land as he the said Nathaniell waterman shall thinke fitt to be unto my said son Benjamin Waterman his heirs and Assignes for Ever; Jn witness, and for confirmation of the [**216**] the above written I have hereunto set my hand and seale this Twenty second day of March Anno: One Thousand seven hundred and Eleven or twelve.

Signed Sealed & published,
in presence of us
William Smith
Job Whipple
William Crauford,

his
Nath^{ll}: X Waterman
marke

On the back side of the paper whereon the aforesd Will is written, it is Endorsed as followeth. Aprill the 22nd 1712; The will on the other side of this paper written was by Richard Waterman presented unto the Towne Councill of Providence for Examination, and was by them Examined and approved: The three witnesses to sd will haveing all made Oath before the Councell thereunto;

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded Aprill ye 23d 1712 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Aprill the 22nd 1712 Richard Waterman the son of the deceased Nathaniell Waterman, at the Towne Councell of Providence meeting presented to the Councill the Jnventary of his sd father Nathaniell waterman of said Providence his Estate, for the Councills Examination thereof; The said Richard Waterman haveing upon Oath before the Councill declared that the sd Jnventary Contained all & whole the Estate of his said deceased ffather that he knew of (as to moveables) and if any more at any time should Come to his knowledge it should be added to sd Jnventary The Apprisers also haveing made oath that they had made a true apriseall, to the best of their understanding of what was brough to their vew; The Councell haveing Examined the same Allowed the sd Jnventary, and Comitted the Administration of ye said Estate unto the said Richard waterman; And did order & appoynt Tho: Olney the Clerk, on the Councells behalfe to take bond of the said Richard waterman as to his Administration, and on the Councells behalfe to signe & seale to him a letter of Administration:

The Record of the said Jnventary is as followeth. /

The Jnventary of the Estate of Mr Nathaniell Waterman of Providence in the Colony of Road Jsland and Providence Plantations in New England (deceased) Who departed this life the Twenty Third day of in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Eleven or twelve: /

	lb s d
Jmprimis, To his Weareing Apparrill	12–00–00
To two feather beds & furniture	20–00–00
To 5 yardes of sarge & a yard & $\frac{1}{4}$ of silk	01–17–00
To two small pieces of fine linnen & some Table linnen	00–18–00
To a small Compas Diall	00–01–06
To some small Jmplements, as small boxes, &c.	00–03–00
To Pewter	04–16–00
To an old bedd & bedding	03–00–00
To brass, Jron & Tinn	09–10–00
To shott Moles, bullett Moles & two Trammills Three Jron Wedges and hammer & Gimblet	00–16–00
To an Old musket valued at 6^s	00–06–00
To lether	02–16–00
To five sheets, 6 napkins & two Pillow beares	01–17–00
To More bedding	01–10–00
To one side of Tanned leather	00–06–00
To Thirty four bushells of Barly, or there abouts	04–00–00
To fflax & hempe	00–14–00
To Oates and Rye	02–00–00
To Jndian Corne	11–00–00
To Carts, Plough, & Plough Tackling	04–10–00
To severall sorts of Tooles	01–18–00
To Raw hides and sheepe skins	01–04–00
To an Jron Barr, Bells, Hoes, & old Jron	01–00–00
To a Barrill and halfe of Porke	04–10–00

To a barrill and halfe of Biefe	03–00–00
To Butter & Tallow	00–18–00
To Earthen waare & a frying pan, & wooden dishes & Trayes	00–18–00
To Chests and Boxes	02–10–00
To Tables, Chaires, & old Lumber	01–00–00
To Bookes	01–08–00
To three Barrills of sidar	01–10–00
To Neat Cattle	63–14–00
To one hundred of sheepe	30–00–00
To horse kind	20–15–00
To money	103–01–06
To mortgage Bonds and bills	688–12–04
To Booke debts	07–04–03
[217]	lb s d
To stilliards sheepe sheares & Tobacco	02–00–00
To foure small swine	02–00–00

the above written is a true apprisall of what was brought before us; Taken this 15th day of Aprill 1712:

Totall sum, Errors Excepted, 1019–03–07

The Jnventarey | written | on the other side | & on this side | of this Paper was on the 22nd day of Aprill 1712 at a Towne Councill of Providence meeting, by the Councell Examined and Allowed,

William Hopkins
Richard Browne; /

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk;

Recorded Aprill the 23rd 1712 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Whereas Nathaniell Waterman of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narranganset

Bay in New England departed this life the 23rd day of March in the yeare 17$\frac{11}{12}$ and leaving a Considerable Moveable Estate behind him, but not ordaineing or Appoynting any Executor to performe what the law Requires on said Estate, whereby it fell to be the care of the Towne Councell of said Providence to inspect the matter & order Concerning the same; And Whereas you Richard Waterman son of the said deceased Nathaniell Waterman are free to take Administration thereon & give bond for the true performance thereof: wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant, and Thomas ffenner Assistant, together with all the rest of the Now Towne Councill of said Providence, do now by these presents fully Comitt unto you the said Richard Waterman the Whole Power of Administration on the said Estate of your said deceased father (so farr forth as the law doth us impower,) on the same for you to Administer, act, do & performe legally in all perticulars according as the law doth Require an Administrator to do; And to Render an account of your proceeds & acting therein unto the Councill when by them Required: By order of ye Councell & on their behalfe, Tho: Olney, Clerk.
dated April ye 22nd 1712

At a Towne Councill meeteing may ye 2nd 1712:

Whereas William Randall of this Towne of Providence departed this life Aprill ye 11th 1712; his son william Randall the 2nd day of may 1712 preferred an Jnventary of his sd deceased father his Estate unto the Councell for Examination, the said william Randall who preferred sd Jnventary haveing made oath to sd Jnventary; william sprague & Ebenezer sprague also haveing as apprisers made oath also; The Councill haveing Examined sd Jnventary do allow it.

William Randall the son of ye sd deceased will^m Randall haveing desired Administration on his sd father his Estate (his father dying intested, and the widdow did not appeare) the administration on sd Estate to him is Granted:

The Record of sd Jnventary is as followeth.

This Jnventary was taken of the Goods & Moveable Estate that was William Randalls of Providence, who deceased on the Eleventh day of Aprill 1712.

		lb s d
Jmprimis,	his Purse & Apparrill	03–05–00
Jt	To, one fether bedd wth bedding and beddstead	05–00–00
Jt	To one Trunke & a paire Jack Boots	00–10–00
Jt	To one Gunn, a quart Pott & Glass Bottle	01–00–00
Jt	To one Jron Trammill & one Auger, & chesell	00–09–00
Jt	To one sive, pann & Tongs & two Old spades	00–07–06
Jt	To old hoops & boxes for Cart wheels & one Chaire	01–03–00
Jt	To one Chaine & two Clevises & Clevis Pinns	00–11–00
Jt	To one Old saddle & old lumber	00–14–00
Jt	To one Old Cart Rope & a Rule to measure Timber	00–03–00
Jt	To one Grind stone	00–15–00
Jt	To nine sheepe & a halfe & five lambs & a halfe	03–00–00
Jt	To one bell & a old wheele & Pitchforke & hand saw	00–09–00
Jt	To one Post Axe two wedges	00–02–06

The abovesaid Estate was apprised the Thirtyeth day of Aprill 1712 by william sprague & Ebenezer sprague of Providence. And what wee have apprised of said Estate amounts to 17–09–00

May the 2nd 1712 William Sprague before the Councill made oath as an appriser to the abovesaid Jnventary;

Ebenezer Sprague Personally appeared at the house of [**218**] of Mr Thomas Olney in Providence and made Oath to the above Written Jnventary before me the subscriber and in the presence of the said Mr Thomas Olney the 3^{d} day of May Anno 1712./

Richard Waterman, Justice. /

Vpon the 2nd day of May 1712, at Providence Towne Councell meeteing the above written Jnventary was Examined & Allowed.

William Randall son of the deceased William Randall haveing before the Counell upon his Engagement declared that the abovesaid Jnventarey Contained all the Estate of his said deceased father as he knew of, & if more should Come to his knowledge it should be Added to sd Jnventary.

At ye aforsd Councill Meeteing: Jt is by the Councill ordered that Tho: Olney Clerk shall on the Councill their behalfe take bond of sd Willm Randall & on the Councill behalfe signe & seale to him a letter of Administration: The meeteing is desolved:

Recorded May the 5th: 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk

Whereas William Randall of this Towne of Providence in ye Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations departed this life ye Eleventh day of Aprill in this presant yeare 1712; And dying intested whereby the Care of ye Administration on his Estate fell to the Towne Councill of sd Providence; And you William Randall, son & Heire of the sd deceased William Randall, haveing desired the Administration thereon, & haveing given bond for the just & true Administration: Wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant, And Thomas ffenner Assistant,

together with all the rest of the now Towne Councell of said Providence, Do now by these presents, Comitt unto you the said william Randall the Whole Power of Administration on the Moveable Estate of your said deceased ffather (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on sd Estate to Administer, Act, do & legally to performe in all perticulars as the Lawes do require an Administrator to do; and to render an account unto this Councell of your actings therein when by them Required. By order of the Councell, & on their behalfe,

Dated may ye 6th : 1712) Tho : Olney Clerk

At a meeteing of the Towne Councell of Providence June the 17th 1712: This day Rachell Potter widdiow of the late deceased George Potter preferred an Jnventary of her said deceased husband George Potter his Estate to the Councill for their Examination thereof, The said Rachell Potter (widdow did upon her oath declare that the said Jnventary did containe all & whole the moveable Estate belonging to her said deceased husband George Potter, as shee knowes of; And if any more at any time do come to her knowledge it shall be added to sd Jnvetarey; Andrew Harris, Benjamin Congdon and Abell Potter the apprisers of ye sd deceassed George Potters Moveable Estate, did upon theire Engagement declare that the said Jnventarey was a faire & just appriseall of the moveable Estate of ye sd deceased George Potter as to the best of theire vnderstanding of what was brought to their vew, or as what the know of; said Jnventarey is by the Councill Allowed; vpon the request of the said Rachell Potter (widdow of sd George Potter) Administration on ye sd Estate is to sd widdow by ye Councill Granted; Ordered that Tho: Olney Clerk do

on the Councill their behalfe take bond of sd widdow for her true performance of Administration, on sd estate; And also on the Councills behalfe to signe & seale he a letter of Administration: the Record of ye said Jnventarey is as followeth; /

An Jnventarey of ye moveable Estate of George Potter deceased.

		lb s d
Jmprimis;	Weareing Cloathes	03–15–00
Jt	One yoake of Oxen, 2 Cowes, one Calfe & one horse	15–10–00
Jt	One Old swine, 5 shoats & 5 Piggs	02–15–00
Jt	12 sheepe & six lambs	03–12–00
Jt	One bed with bolster & Pillowes & other furniture	02–18–00
Jt	17 Pound of sheeps Wooll	00–15–00
Jt	Ten Bushells of Corne & Eleven bushells of oates	02–00–00
Jt	One load & halfe of hay	01–00–00
Jt	2 Axes, 2 hoes & 2 old sithes, with some sithe Tackling	00–17–00
Jt	one Jron Pott & a kittle, & a Gun & a paire of fire Trammills, with other old Jron	02–10–00
Jt	one Pewter Platter & 4 Plates & a Tinn Dripping pan with other old Pewter & Tinn and Earthen	00–15–00
[219] Jt	Tobacco about 100^lb & 12 pound of yarne & a frying pan	01–18–00
Jt	one Chest & a small Trunke & 5 Chairs & two Tables with other lumber & a small paire of scales & weights	01–06–00
Jt	15 yards of Cloath at the fulling mill	01–02–00

Jt	one fether bed with the furniture thereto belonging	04–00–00
Jt	one Table Cloath, two Napkins & five Towles	00–08–00
	Sum totall amounts to	45–01–00

This Appriseall was taken & made the 30th day of may in the yeare 1712 by us, Andrew Harris

the marke of
Benjamin X Congdon
The marke of
Abell X Potter

Here followeth the Record of ye letter of Administratio|n| to Rachell Potter.

Whereas George Potter belonging to this Towne of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations in new England departed this life the third day of May in this presant yeare 1712, And dyeing intested whereby the Care of Administeration on his Estate fell to the Towne councill of said Providence; And you Rachell Potter, widdow of the said deceased George Potter havein desired the Administration thereon, & haveing Given bond for the just & true Administration thereupon; Wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Thomas ffenner Assistant togethor With all the rest of the now Towne Councill of said Providence Do now by these presents Comitt unto you the said Rachell Potter the whole Power of Administeration on the moveable Estate of your said deceased husband (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the said Estate to Administer, act, do, & legally to performe in all Perticulars as the lawes do require an Admin-

istrator to do; and to Render an account to the Councill of your actings therein when by them Required.

Dated June the 20th 1712: By order of the Councill
Recorded June ye 20th and on their behalfe
1712 ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk. / Tho: Olney Clerk.

At a Councell meeteing June the 17th 1712; Rebekah Williams, widdow of ye late deceased Daniell Williams Exhibited the Jnventary of her said deceased husband his estate for Examination & Allowance, it being taken & made the sixt day of June 1712: vpon the said 17th day of June, the said Rebekah Williams did upon her solemne Engagement before the Councell declare that the said Jnventarey did Containe all & whole the moveable Estate of her said deceased husband Daniell williams that shee knew of, & if at any time hereafter any more should come to her knowlede it should be brough and Added to the said Jnventarey; The two apprisers (Namely) Resolved waterman & Malachy Roades also upon their Engagements solemnly did declare before the Councill, that the said Jnventarey | was | a true & faire appriseall according to the best of theire understanding of all the moveable Estate of sd Daniell williams which was brought to their vew, or which they knew of, the which sd Jnventarey after Examination, was by the Councill Alowed; And Administration on the said Estate Granted unto the widdow, the sd Rebekah Williams; Ordered by the Councill That Tho Olney Clerk shall on ye Councell their behalfe receive a bond from sd Rebekah williams for security as to her Administration; And also on the Councills behalfe to signe seale & deliver to her a letter of Administration.

Here followeth the Record of ye Jnventarey of the Estate of the deceased Daniell Williams. who departed this life the 14th day of may Anno: 1712. /

An Jnventarey of the moveable Estate of Daniell williams deceased, late of Providence,

		lb s d
Jmprimis;	His weareing Apparrill	10–00–00
Jt	To money & bills	44–10–00
Jt	five bedds with the furniture	36–00–00
Jt	Pewter	03–10–00
Jt	Bookes	03–00–00
[220]		lb s d
Jt	Chests and Lumber	03–10–00
Jt	Tables Chairs and Joynt stooles	02–00–00
Jt	Brass Kittles, Jron Pots frieing pan & Trammells	07–04–00
Jt	Axes, hoes, Cart tackling & Plow	02–10–00
Jt	Stilliards & other tooles	01–04–00
Jt	Warming Pan & Earthen waare	00–16–00
Jt	Jndian Corne & Rye	06–00–00
Jt	Pork & Beefe	04–00–00
Jt	Two Negro Children	40–00–00
Jt	ffour Oxen	18–00–00
Jt	Tenn Cowes	30–00–00
Jt	Young Cattell	07–00–00
Jt	One horse	02–00–00
Jt	Sheepe and sheeps wooll	14–00–00
Jt	six swine	03–12–00
Jt	Tobacco	04–00–00
Jt	A still	06–00–00
	The sum totall	248–16–00

this Aprizall was taken & made the sixt day of June in the yeare 1712, by us Resolved Waterman

Malachy Roades. /

Recorded June the 21: 1712,

℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration on the Estate of the deceased Daniell Williams. /

Whereas Daniell Williams of the Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations in New England departed this life the fourteenth day of May Anno: 1712: And dyeing intested, whereby the Care of Administeration on his Estate fell to the Towne Councell of sd Providence; And you Rebekah Williams widdow of the said deceased Daniell Williams haveing desired the Administration thereon, & haveing given bond for the true Administeration thereupon; wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Thomas ffenner Assistant, together with all the Rest of the now Towne Councill of said Providence, Do now by these presents Comitt unto you the said Rebekah Williams the whole Power of Administration on the moveable Estate of your sd deceased husband Daniell Williams (so farr forth as the law doth us impower,) on the said Estate to Administer, act, do, and legally to performe in all perticulars as the law doth Require an Administrator to do; And to Render an account to the Councell of your actings therein when by them Required. /

Dated June ye 23rd: 1712. / By order of the Councill and on their behalfe

Recorded June ye 23rd: 1712,

℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. / Tho: Olney Clerk. /

At a Meeteing of the Towne Councill of Providence June:

the 17th: 1712: this day Willm: Crawford presented | to | the Councill the last will & Testament of his deceased Mother ffreelove Crawford; for their Examination: ; The sd will being Read in the Councill; The said william Crawford being Executor, upon his solomne Engagement declared the said will to be the last will & Testament of his said deceased Mother; said will beareing date the twenty fourth day of May in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & twelve; John Arnold, John Whipple & John Yates junr: then also appeared before the Councill & upon theer solemne Engagement did declare that they saw the said ffreelove Crawford signe the said Will; The said William Crawford the same day also presented to the Councill an Jnventarey of the Estate of his sd mother & upon his solemne oath did declare that sd Jnventarey did Containe all & whole the moveable Estate of his sd mother that he knew of Excepting what was at sea, a venter which he did not know what was become of it untill he [**221**] he could Receive information, the which if more at any tin should come to his knowledge, it should be added to to sd Jnventary: william Hopkins & Richard browne who were the apprisers of sd Estate did also before the Councill the same day as is aforementioned solemnely declare that they had made a true appriseall according to the best of their vnderstanding of sd Estate of what was brought to theire vew.

The aforsd Will being by the Councill Examined was by the Councill approved; And the sd Jnventa|r|ey Allowed: Jt is ordered by the Councill that Thomas olney Clerk, shall on ye Councills behalfe take bond of sd Willm Crawford, (to say) his owne bond, for the true & legall Administeration, on sd Estat and Executeing truely of said Will: Ordered by the

Councill that Tho: Olney Clerk do on the Councill their behalfe signe & seale a letter of Adminesteration & deliver it to sd William Crawford; /

Here followeth the Record of the last Will and Testament of Mris ffreelove Crawford who departed this life June the first day, 1712.

I ffreelove Crawford of Providence in the Coloney of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England (widdow) being weake of body but in sound & disposeing memory Praise be to God for the same; Do make this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following: ffirst & principally I comitt my soule into the mercifull Hands of Almighty God my Creator, & my Body I Comitt to the Earth to be decently buired after the descression of my Executor hereinafter named; And as to my worldly Estate I Give & bequeath as followeth. Jmprimis

I Give & bequeath unto my son William Crawford his Heirs or Assignes all my part of the Sloope Dolphin, it being already Regestered in his name.

Jtem I Give & bequeath unto my two sons, William Crawford and John Crawford all my Part of that sloope which is now in building by Mr Nathaniell Browne of Rehoboth my part being foure eights, & the said foure Eights to be Carried on, finished & Rigged with my estate; And be to the only Proper vse & behoofe of my aforesaid two sons Equaly their Heirs & Assignes forever.

Jtem I Give & bequeath unto my aforesaid two sons William Crawford & John Crawford one hundred & Thirty seven Pounds a Piece, in Current money of New England or

merchantable shopp Goods, to be to them my aforesaid two sons their Heirs & Assignes forever.

Jtem I Give unto my Daughter Anne Carr her Heirs or Assigne|s| one hundred Pounds of Current Money of New England, or Merchantable shopp Goods.

Jtem I Give unto my Daughter Mary Crawford her Heirs or Assignes one hundred Pounds of Current Money of new England to be paid by my Executor unto my aforesaid daughter Mary when shee Comes to the full age of twenty one yeares, or at the day of her Marriage, which shall first be.

Jtem I Give unto my two Children namely John Crawford and Mary Crawford their Heirs & Assignes each of them a ffether bedd, but my Executor is ordered not to deliver them untill they my said Children attaine to the age of twenty one yeares, that is to say; My aforesd son John at the age of twenty one yeares shall have a fether bed & furniture thereunto Compleat delivered to him by my Executor: And also my daughter mary at the age of Twenty one yeares, or upon the day of her Marriage, which shall first Come, shall have a fether bedd & furniture thereunto Compleat delivered her by my Executor.

Jtem I Give to my two daughters Anne Carr & Mary Crawford the Remainder of all my household stuff to be Equally devided betwixt them my aforesd [**222**] aforesaid two daughters their Heirs or Assignes: But my will is that my daughter Mary^{s} part be kept in the hands of my Executor untill shee attaine to ye age of twenty one yeares or untill the day of her Marriage, which shall first bee; And also my Will is that all the debts that have been Contracted by my son william Crawford, though Charged to him & in his name shall be paid out of my Estate, by Reason he dealt for me & brought the Proffitt to my Estate.

And also I do order that the hundred Pounds that I have Engaged to my son William Crawford be paid out of my Estate & in the spashue that I have ingaged it to be paid in;

Also my Will is, that my Executor shall Compleat the Legacyes appoynted in my husbands will. /

Jtem; I Give & bequeath vnto my foure Children namely William Crawford, Anne Carr & John Crawford & Mary Crawford the Residue of all my whole Estate that is not here before bequeathed and Given, after Debts, funerall Charges and other Expences duely paid; the Remainder to be equally devided betwixt them my aforesaid foure, Children & to be to the only Proper vse of them their Heirs & Assignes forever. /

Also I do appoynt my aforesaid son William Crawford sole Executor of this my last will & Testament. /

And I do also appoynt my loveing Brother Thomas ffenner and my Cousin Richard Waterman jun^{r}: overseers to see that this my said will be performed vnto whose care I Comitt my daughter Mary Crawford, who are to appoynt a Place for her tuission & bringing up: And my said Executor shall be oblieged to Place her at such place as shall be appoynted by said overseers; Jn Wittness of all the above Written I do hereunto set my hand & seale, this twenty fourth day of May in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & twelve. /

Signed Sealed and pronounced in the presence of us,
John Arnold
John Whipple
John Yeats jun^{r}:

Memorandum my son John may have his bed now, if his brother William be willing. /

the mark of
ffreelove X Crawford

Recorded June ye 25th 1712 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of ye deceased M^ris ffreelove Crawford.

The Jnventarey of the Estate of M^ris ffreelove Crawford of Providence in ye Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations, in New England (Widdow) who departed this life the first day of June anno: Dom^i: 1712.

	lb s d
Jmprimis;	
To her weareing Apparell	47–07–00
To A fether bedd, Bolster, 2 Pillowes, 2 Blanketts and Rugg Curtaines & bed stead	12–00–00
Chest, drawers & Carpitt	02–04–00
To: 2 Truncks and frame	00–18–00
To a old Case, 4 bottles & two Muggs	00–08–00
To small Box, i Trunck & hatt case	01–10–00
To 63 bookes, many being of small, value	04–10–00
To Mufe & a cape & a cane	01–03–00
To Box Jron, 3 old heaters & a Goose	00–04–02
To a warmeing pan & pair a Tobacco Tongs	00–12–06
To 5 knives in an Old Case: 4/0	00–04–00
To 5 guns & lookeing Glass	09–06–00
To baskits & barks; 4 old shirts	00–15–00
[223]	lb s d
To 11 Pillow Cases, 7 sheets, & 2 bolster Cases	03–14–00
To Table linnen & Towells	00–15–00
To i great Table, 3 fformes, pair hand Jrons a great Chaire & two Cushins	03–00–00
To Candles box Glass & few pictures	00–05–00
To 8 wooden Chaires, 6 lether, ditto, & a Table	03–03–00
To A fether bed, bolster, 2 pillows, bolstor Case two Pillow Cases, pair sheets, Coverlid & bedsted	08–00–00

To Campene: bed sted; 1 bed, 3 sheets; bolster Coverlid & Curtains	14–00–00
To Glass Case, 4 Pictures, i glass Jugg, & two glasses	00–14–00
To Earthen Cupps, plates & bason	00–07–00
To Cubbard & Carpitt & bolster Case	04–03–00
To 14 Napkins & Table Cloath	01–04–00
To some Child bedd linnen & a Table Carpit	01–19–00
To 6 Pillow Cases, 2 bolster Cases & 3 sheets	03–16–00
To 4 Window Curtains, Table Cloaths & Napkins	03–16–00
To 3 chamber Potts & some old lumber	01–06–00
To side saddle, 2 blankits, sheete & small Rugg	04–10–00
To White suger, bookes & baskitts	02–05–00
To Callico: bedd quilt,	02–05–00
	140 03 08
To 5 Peuter Platters, & i Bason; i Ale q^{rt}	02 05 00
To 5 Platters, 5 basons, 10 Porrengers, 11 plates 1 Alepint: 2 plate Rings; i Ale qu^{rt}, and some small Pewter.	03–19–00
To i Brass; 2 Jron Chafeing dishes; 2 brass; i Tinn 2 Jron Candle sticks, & some Tinn waare	02–05–00
To a Copper frying pan & 2 qu^{rt} pots & Jron frying pan	00–18–00
To 4 Brass kittles; one brass bread pan; 2 brass skilletts & some small brass	08–10–00
To 4 Jron Potts; i Jron skillett, i spit & flesh fork	02–04–00
To 4 Jron Tramills; 2 paire Tongs & fire shovell	01–09–00
To Jron dripping pan; Earthen & stone Waare	01–16–00
To wooden waare & 6 spoones	06–08–02
To linnen & Woolen wheele, & few basketts	00–14–00

To some Neat Cattle	30–10–00
To washing Tubb; salt box beanes & sive	00–10–00
To 5 horse kind	24–16–00
To 16 sheepe & Two swine	04–18–00
To Whet stones, Broomes & sheeps wooll	00–16–09
To Lumber in the Garrett, & few fethers	01–10–00
To Table linnen, Co|u|rse linnen & Woollen	00–15–00
To A few fethers; 2 sives & some small lumber	01–11–00
To Copperus, & whale bone, Tobacco & Tallow	02–07–06
To Cheese, meat & butter	03–14–00
To some Old lumber	00–16–00
To 6400 hog^{d}: stuff: 6000; bar^{ll} stuff	23–16–00
To Coopers Tooles & Lumber in ye Coopers shopp	02–05–02
To 200 bush; salt: 13, barr^{lls} biefe, 14 barr^{lls} pork	100–00–00
To shingles, maple plank: and befe fress	17–10–00
To 10 barrills sider & som Great Caske	06–03–00
To White & Pitch pine boards	02–15–00
To silver Tankerd; salt seller: 2 porrengers and 7: spoones	21–05–06
To 2 brass doggs: 15^{s} /0^{d}: a table Trunck, Chest and baskitt	02–01–00
To 8 paire of sheetes Coverlidd & 3 Pillowes	09–10–00
To wine, mallasses, biskett & old Caske	07–07–00
To 2 Tunnills, i wine qu^{rt}: i Gimblett	00–03–00
	295–08–01
To 100, bush^{ll} oates: & bar^{ll}: Tallow	12–10–00
To Percell|a|Pease, Jndian & Rye Corne	03–11–00
To fflower, Tobacco & Hoggs Lard	13–13–00

[224]	lb s d
To Redd wood, sibag, & some Corne & kash, bord nailes	06–19–00
To Weights, scales, blanket, Pailes & some wooll	03–11–00
To Neats lether made & unmade and lumber	02–07–00
To some Tooles for husbandry and a Boat	22–15–00
To Cotten, sithes broad hoes, salt baggs & Deers leth|er|	05–15–00
To stilliards scales, Axes knitting Needles sickles sheepe sheares and bridle stars	03–04–06
To i wine and tw|o| dram Cupps of silver	02–06–00
To Diapers, linnens, stuffs Pewter Nailes, hatts and sundry other shopp Goods	188–04–06
To Gold	12–17–06
To Paper & silver Money	26–15–06
To Bill: bonds & mortgage deeds	642–12–00
	947–01–00

The Jnventarey which is Written on this Paper is a true Jnventarey of what was brought to our vew, according to the best of our vnderstanding; Taken the 17: June: 1712; by us

William Hopkins
Richard Browne. /

Recorded June the 26th 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of ye letter of Administeration to Willam Crawford.

Whereas Mris ffreelove Crawford of the Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England (widdow) departed this life upon the first day of June in this presant yeare one thousand seven hundred &

twelve; And by her last will & Testament beareing date the twenty fourth day of may one Thousand seven hundred & twelve,

Shee Ordained and appoynted her son William Crawford her Executor the said Will to Execute & performe; And you the said William Crawford haveing presented the said Will to the Towne Councill of said Providence for the Examination thereof; And the said Councill haveing Examined the said will and the same approved; And you haveing given bond for the | true & | legall Executeing thereof; Wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all the Rest of the Now Towne Councell of said Providence; Do now by these presents Comitt unto you the said William Crawford the full and whole Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased mother, on the same fully to Administer, & therein to act do & Proceede in all poynts and perticulars according as the law doth direct; And to performe & Execute the said will according to the true Meaneing & intent thereof: And to Render an account of your acteings therein to the Councell when by them Required.

By order of the Councell; and on their behalfe
Tho: Olney Clerk.

Dated June y^e 27th; 1712:
Recorded June the 27th: 1712; Tho: Olney Clerk.

Whereas Thomas Coopper of this Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations in new England departed this life the sixt day of January 17$\frac{11}{12}$; And upon the 17th day of June 1712: Hannah Cooper his

wife; or to say his widdow, presented to the Councell the last will & Testament of her said deceased husband for their Examination thereof; And the same day shee also did presento the Councill an Jnventarey of the said Thomas Coopper his Estate for their Examination & Allowance thereof; The said will was the same day Examined; The widdow Hannah Cooper being by her said husband made Executrix to said will made oath unto it, And so also did John Guile, Daniel Abbot, Benjamin wight, & John, King, as witnesses; the others not being presant at the Councill; The said will being by the Councell | examined | was by them approved./ The [**225**] the said Widdow Hannah Coopper also upon her solemn Engagement before the Councell did declare that the said Jnventarey which shee presented to the Councill did containe all & whole the moveable Estate of her sd deceased husband Thomas Coopper that shee had any knowledge of; & if at any time any more should Come to her knowledge it should be added to sd Jnventarey; The said Jnventary was taken & made the 12^{f} day of ffeburarey in y^{e} yeare 17$\frac{11}{12}$: by the apprisers, Jo^{n}: King & sam^{ll}: fisk The said Jnventarey was by y^{e} Councell Examined and Allowed./

Here followeth the Record of Thomas Cooper his Will.

Jn the name of God Amen; the 30th day of December 1711: I Thomas Coopper of Providence in New England, Husbandman being very sick & weake of body, but of Perfect mind & memory thanks being given unto God: Therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my body & knowing that it is appoynted for all men once to dye, Do make & ordaine this My last Will and Testament; That is to say Principaly & first of all I Give &

Recomend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it, & my body I Recomend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian buriall at the discression of my Executrix; Nothing doubting but the Gennerall Resurection I shall Receive the same againe by ye mighty power of God; And as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I Give demise & dispose of the same in the following Manner & forme. /

Jmprimis, I Give to my son Ebenezer Cooper all my weareing Apparrill

Jtem I Give to my well beloved Daughter Sarah wheaton two Cowes or five pound tenn shillings of good & Current Money of New England to her & to the Hirs of her body, which is to be paid to her within foure yeares after my decease out of my Estate. /

Jtem I Give to my well beloved daughter mary Coopper one Cow to come into her hands when shee comes to the age of Eighteene yeares.

Jtem I give to my son Robert Coopper five shillings in money & no more, by Reason he has disobeid my Comands & left me in a strait of time before he was of full age:

Jtem I give to my now wife Hannah Coopper one bedd & bedding, an all the Residue of my Estate goods and Chattells to be left in her hands for the bringing up my Children, & what shall Remain afterwards I give her full power to dispose of, Give & Confirme to my said Children to them their Heirs & Assignes for Ever as shee shall thinke most su|teable|: That is to Zurrubabell, Seaborne Panelope, Thomas & moises: And I also Constitute make & ordaine my said Wife my sole Executrix of this of this my last will & Testament. And I do hereby

vtterly disalow, Revoke & disanull all & every other former Testaments, wills Legacyes & bequests & Executors by me in any wise before named willed & bequeathed, Rattefieing & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament Jn witnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale the day & yeare above written.

I see cause to alter that part of my will where my Wife is made Executrix & make Choyce my loving friend Captn simon smith of warwick my Col exeter

Signed Sealed published, Pronounced and declared by ye sd Thomas Coopper as his last will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers

Thomas Coopper

The mark of X Benjamin wight

The mark of X niklous yong

The mark of X John Guile

John King

The mark of X Elizabeth williams:

Dan^{ll}: Abbott. /

Recorded July y^{e} 2nd: 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk

[**226**] Here followeth the Record of the Jnventary of the Estate of y^{e} deceased Thomas Coopper of Providence. /

A true Jnventarey of all & singular the Goods & Chattells of Thomas Cooper deceased, who departed this life the sixth of January in the yeare 17$\frac{11}{12}$ the which said estate was prised in Providence Towneshipp on the 12th of ffebruary in the yeare abovesd, by us John King & Sam^{ll}: ffisk: /

	lb	s	d
first as to his purse & apparrill:			
ffor his weareing Apparrill	07	11	06
for bedding in the chamber	05	00	00
for sixteene bushells of Wheate	04	00	00

for fflax, baggs & lumber in the chamber	01–06–00
for three Gunns	03–00–00
for Oates	00–07–06
for a pair of stillyards	00–17–00
Kittles, potts & pot hookes & frying pann	02–03–00
for foure Pewter platters	01–05–00
for quart pots, pint pots, half pint pots & Gill potts	00–12–00
for Pewter basons & one Porringer	00–06–00
for a lookeing Glass, a Jugg | & | a smoothing Jron	00–04–00
for dishes, Platters, spoones & Trenchers	00–06–00
for Pailes	00–04–00
for bedding in the outward Roome	05–00–00
for yarne	00–12–08
for saddles, bridles & male Pillions	01–12–00
for Tobacco & Cart Rope	00–05–00
for lumber in the outward Roome	00–03–00
for a Chest, a Rasor & other things	00–15–00
for a bible & bookes	00–10–03
for bedding ye inward Roome	00–03–00
for shoomakers Tackling	00–04–00
for Lumber in the inward Roome	00–08–00
for Lumber in ye Celler	00–09–00
for Pork, beife & venesan	05–10–00
for Jndian Corne	01–07–00
for Glass Bottles	00–03–00
for poltrey	00–02–06
for money scales & weights	00–06–00
for two bells	00–05–00
	47–15–01

The Creatures he tooke of Daniell Abbott: for two Cowes	06–00–00
for a heifer Comming three years old	02–15–00
for a yeareling heifer	00–11–00
	09–06–00
ffor silver money & paper money	01–07–08
for foure Cowes & one Calfe	12–00–00
for two heifers, two & vantage	05–10–00
for two heifers Coming two yeares old	03–01–00
for two heifers Coming a yeare old	01–01–00
for a bull comming two yeares Old	01–06–00
for a horse two pounds, & a mare 3 pounds	05–00–00
for a sorrill Mare	02–10–00
for two sowes & a bore	01–12–00
for Thirteene shoates	02–18–06
for Cart & wheeles with hoopes boxes cops yoake clevice and Pinns	01–10–00
for two chaines	01–05–00
for two draught yoakes	00–04–00
for a slead, Rakes & pitchforkes	00–07–00
for a bull hide & a calfe skin	00–06–00
for an Jron tooth harrow	00–12–00
for two Plowes & Plow Jrons	00–17–00
for a stack of Oates for a Grind stone	02–12–08
for foure sithes	00–13–00
for five hoes	00–06–00
for six axes	01–00–00
for two Spades	00–06–06
for an Adds	00–02–06

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for a Croscut saw	00–05–00
for a beetle & wedges	00–06–00
for a Ring & staple peck ax and a last knife & hamer & Gimblett	00–04–00
for two Planes, & a howell & a Round shave	00–07–00
for foure Augers, two Wimblets, tw Chizells & a Gouge	00–10–00. /
for a square & Compases, frow & handsaw	00–07–06
for two Bill hookes & a braick	00–02–00
for an Jron barr	00–07–00
for a drawing knife & two sickles	00–07–00
for a Trammill & tongs & flesk forke	00–08–00
for horse Tackling	00–05–00
Recorded July ye 2nd: 1712	48–16–04
℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /	47–15–01
	96–11–05

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to Hannah Coopper.

Whereas Thomas Coopper of the Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations departed this life January the sixth in the yeare 1711 or 12: And by his last Will & Testament beareing date december the 30th 1711 Constituted & appoynted you Hannah Coopper, then his wife (and now his widdow,) to be his Executrix; And you haveing presented said Will unto the Towne Councill of said Providence, & also the Jnventarey of said Thomas Coopper his Estate for the Examination of the same; the which said Will

was by said Towne Councill Examined & approved, & the Jnventarey Examined & Allowed:

Whereupon Wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all the Rest of the now Towne Councill of said Providence do now by these presents Comitt unto you Hannah Coopper (Executrix) the full Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased husband on the same to act do & performe in your Administration thereon in all perticulars according as the lawes do Require an Executor to do; And the said Will in all poynts to Execute according to the true meaneing and intent thereof: And to Render an account of your Actings therein unto the Councell when by them Required.

You haveing full Power given you so farr forth as the law impowereth us.

Dated July ye 23rd: 1712. } you haveing already given bond for the legall Executeing sd will. / By order of the Councill and on their behalfe, Tho: Olney Clerk

Recorded July the 23rd 1712 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of y^e letter of Administration to Margerett Thornton.

Whereas by the last will & Testament of Thomas Thornton of the Towne of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations in the narraganset Bay in new England beareing date y^e twenty fourth of March $17\frac{10}{11}$, And he departing this life March the 27th 1711; by his said will made Constituted & appoynted you Margerett Thornton (his widdow) his Executrix; And the said Will haveing by the Towne

Councell of said Providence been Examined and proved; And an Jnventarey of the Testators Estate haveing been taken & made & by the Councell Examined and Allowed; Therefore wee the said Towne Councell, as namely Joseph Jenckes Assistant and Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all the Rest of the said Towne Councill, Do by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you Margeret Thornton (the aforesaid Executrix) full power of Administration on the Estate of your aforesd deceased husband, on the same to Administer, and said will truely to observe performe & Execute in all poynts and perticulars as the law doth Require according to the true meaneing and intent of said Will, and [**228**] and to Render an account of your actings thereon unto the Councell when by them Required.

Dated July ye 14th: 1712. / By order of the Councill and
Recorded July ye 15th 1712 on their behalfe
℘ Tho Olney Clerk. / Tho: Olney Clerk.

At a meeteing of ye Towne Councill of Providence Tuestay August ye 26th, 1712: by adjornement from August ye 14th, 1712.

This day Mary Jnman, late wife, & widdow of the late deceased John Jnman of this Towne of Providen|ce| who departed this life August ye 6th, 1712: presented to the Councill the last will & Testament of her sd deceased husband John Jnman beareing date the Thirtieth day of March in ye yeare one Thousand seven hundred & two: And also then presented the Jnventarey of her sd husband his Estate, the which sd will & Jnventarey were then by the Councell Examined; The will proved & the Jnventarey Alowed; The two

wittnesses (vi) Samuell Wilkinson & Ephraim Pray, (who were liveing) made oath as witnesses to ye sd will; but ye third witness, (viz) Richard Arnold, was dead before, (sometime;) Mary Jman the widdow of sd deceased John Jnman, Also made oath to sd Will that it was he sd husband his last will, so farr forth as she knew. /

valentine Whittman, Edward Jnman & Samuell Wilkinson, who tooke & made ye aforesd Jnventarey did all before the Councill upon their solomne Engagement declare that it was a true Jnventarey of the moveable Estate of ye sd deceased John Jnman of all as was brought to their vew: The aforenamed widdow Mary Jnman, also did on her solomne Engagement declare that the sd Jnventarey did Containe all & whole the Moveable Estate of her sd deceased husband, as shee knew of, & if at any time more should Come to her knowledge, it should be added to sd Jnventarey: The sd Jnventarey was made the 22nd day of August 1712.

The Record of ye abovesd Will, is as followeth. /

I John Jnman of Providence, in the Coloney of Roade Jsland and Providence Plantations; being sick & weake of Body, but of sound & perfect Memory, & sencible vnderstanding thankes be to God; And not knowing how soone it may please God to take me out of this Troublesome life; I am willing to do something for ye settling of that smale Estate I have to dispose of; and therefore do make this my last Will and Testament: as ffolloweth. /

ffirst, my desire & will is, that after my death, my body may be desently buried at ye descresion of my Executrix hereafter named. And for the disposition of my Moveable Estate, my Will is as hereafter Written. /

Jtem, I Give to my Eldest Daughter Mary Bartlett, Tenn shillings to be paid by my Executrix; I haveing given her, my sd Daughter, which shee hath received heretofore Considerable according to my ability. /

Jtem, I give to my six daughters; That is, Deboreh, Sarah, Anne, Naomie, Joanna & Tabbetha, Twenty shillings a Piece, to be paid by my said Executrix, as they shall severally come to ye age of Twenty one yeares, or at ye day of their Marriage. /

Jtem, I give to my Eldest son, John Jnman all my Tract of land, both vpland and Meaddow; Called by the name of My upland Meaddow, & adjoyning to the River, where my Mill formerly stood, being foure score acres, (be it more or less; Also I give unto my said son John the halfe part of [**229**] of my Right of land on the West side the seven mile line: the said foure score acres of land & halfe Right on ye west side ye seven mile line I give to my said son John Jnman, to him his Heirs and Assignes for Ever, Only, his Mother, Mary Jnman shall have the disposeall & benefit of said land & meaddow untill | he | my said son attaine to the age of Twenty one yeares.

Jtem, I give to Mary my Wife all my in Closed land, both upland, meaddow Ground & Orchard, adjoyneing to my house where I now live, with said house to be for her benefitt and at her dispose for terme of her Naturall life; & also my Meaddow at the little River which I had of my ffather, Edward Jnman, to be to my said wife, untill my son Valentine Come to ye age of twenty one yeares. Jtem, I Give to my son Valentine Jnman, all my | said | Right both vpland & Meaddow at the little River, being Thirty acres (more or less) to be to my sd son Valintine him his Heirs & Assignes forever.

Jtem, I Give to my said Son Valentine; after his Mothers decease, all my homested, & land adjoyneing to my house, and orchard on which I now live, with all the Privelidges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging, to be after his said mothers decease to him my sd son valentine his Heirs & Assignes for Ever.

Jtem, I make Mary my Wife my full & sole Executrix of this my last Will, & give her all my moveable Estate, Except what is given in legacyes as aforesd, to be at her dispose as shee shall see Cause, and to give to my, & her Children at her discresion.

Jtem, I give to my said son valentine the other halfe of Right of lands on ye west side of the seven mile, to be joynt partner with his brother John; And also my Will is, that my Right in Common, or vndevided lands on ye west side the seven mile line shall bee Equally devided betweene my sd two sons, John and vallentine: And lastly, I desire my friends, samuell wilkinson & Richard Arnold to be overseers of this my last Will & Testament; desireing them to be aiding & assisting to my wife in Executeing this my Will: Jn witness hereof I have set my hand & seale, this Thirtieth day of March in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & two:

Signed Sealed & declared in the presence of us
Sam^ll wilkinson
Ephraim Pray
Richard Arnold. /

his mark
John Jnman X

Recorded August ye 30th 1712:
℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of ye Jnventarey of the deceased John Jnman his moveable Estate.

Here followeth a Jnventary of ye moveable Estate of John Jnman of the Towne of Providence in the Collony of Road Jsland &c: / who deceased Augu|st| the 6th 1712: /

Jn ye East Roome./	lb s d
weareing Cloathes	06–05–00
Jn Cash	53–06–06
Jn bills	05–00–00
A bedd & bedding	08–00–00
A other bedd & bedding	09–00–00
A Coverlid & four blanketts	03–05–00
seven yardes of bedd ticking	01–01–00
Linnen in a Chest	10–19–06
Two Chests	00–10–00
white leather & yarne	01–08–00
A lookeing Glass	00–04–00
Jn ye middle Roome, five Chaires	00–12–00

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	lb s d
A warming pann	00–03–00
A saddle	00–18–00
some yarne, and Cotton wooll	00–08–00
A Bible & Psalter	00–05–00
Jn the East Chamber: A bedd & Bedding	08–00–00
Two paire of scales	00–12–00
wooll & three baggs	01–09–00
Cheese	01–10–00
Tobacco	00–10–00
Jn ye west Roome; Carpenters tooles	01–10–00
Jron Potts & Kettles	02–05–00
Three Brass Kettles	04–00–00
A Table & Three Candlesticks	00–12–00

A smoothing Jron, & other things	00–04–06
A paire of Tongs, a spitt, a Grid Jron a peele & 2 Tram|mills|	01–02–00
Three spinning wheelles, & a paire of Cards	00–10–00
Jn the leaneto; foure Pewter Platters	00–16–00
Basons & Porringers	01–03–00
A quart Pott & some old Pewter	00–06–00
Two Muggs & a Cullender	00–05–00
Earthen waare	00–04–00
A frying Pann	00–03–06
A Tubb & some Trays	01–08–09
Jn ye West Chamber: one old Bed	02–05–00
Jndian Corne	00–08–09
	130–14–06
some salt & some flex	00–07–00
A paire of sheares & a sickle	00–01–08
Jn the Celler: Butter	06–14–00
Porke	02–10–00
Tallow & Hoggs fatt	01–01–08
A Tubb & some Trays, & Old barrills	00–14–00
Three shovells	00–03–06
Lumber in ye Old Cellar	00–06–00
A Grindstone	00–07–00
A Cart & wheeles, & 2 yoakes, & a clevice | & | pinn	07–02–00
A Plow	01–02–00
Three Chaines	02–00–00
A horse Collor & Traces	00–05–00
A Jron Barr, a froe, & some Old Jron	00–15–03
A Piece of over lether	00–05–00

Corne in the Cribb	07–10–00
Jn ye Barne, Hay	05–05–00
fflax	00–05–00
Rye	01–08–00
Oates	00–06–00
Hay abroad	06–15–00
Two Oxen	09–00–00
seven Cowes & two heifers	24–15–00
ffoure young cattle	06–00–00
A bull	02–00–00
Two Calves	00–16–00
ffive swine & some piggs	05–00–00
An Old Maare	01–10–00
This is a True Jnventarey, Errers Excepted	94–04–01

taken ye 22nd day of Augst; 1712 by us whose names are under written. /

velentine whittman
Edward X Jnman
his mark
Samuel wilkinson

Recorded August ye 30th: 1712:
℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

[231] Whereas John Jnman of the Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Roade Jsland, &c; departed this life August the sixt, in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & twelve; And by his last Will & Testament beareing date the Thirtieth day of March in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & two; he ordered, Constituted & appoynted you Mary Jnman (his then wife, but now his widdow) to be his Executrix, his said Will to Execute & performe: And haveing given in bond already So to do; Wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant and Thomas

ffenner Assistant, together with all the Rest of the now Towne Councill of said Providence, do now (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you the said Mary Jnman the full Power of Administration on all the moveable Estate of your said deceased husband John Jnman, on the same to Administer, and the said Will to Execute, & legally to performe in all perticulars according as the law doth Require an Executrix to do; and to Render an account to ye Councill of your acting therein, when by them Required.

By order of ye Councill,
and on their behalfe
Tho: Olney, Clerk;

Here followeth the Record of ye last Will & Testament of Meris Tucker. /

Know all men by these presents that I Meris Tucker of the Towne of Providence, being weake of body, yet by ye blessing of God of sound & perfect memory; And I knoweing that all People are subject to Mortallity, and not knoweing how soone it may please God to Remove me out of this life, I do make this my last will and Testament; hereby makeing voyd all former Wills by me made Either by word or writeing, & this only to stand in force as my last Will and Testament.

ffirst, I bequeath my spiritt to God that gave it and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at ye descretion of my Executrix hereafter named; Secondly, I Give to my Loveing wife Grace Tucker all my small Estate for her Comfortable subsistance duiring her Naturall life; and if any part thereof be left at her decease to Give it to whome shee pleasses. Thirdly, I ordaine and appoynt my said Loveing wife Grace

Tucker my Executrix to pay all my just debts & to Receive all my just dues, and to see my body decently buried; And in Confirmation of this my last Will & Testament I have hereunto set my hand and seale this 20th day of September. 1711; and Tenth yeare of ye Reigne of our Sovereigne Lady Anne, by the Grace of God over England Queene: &c:

Meris Tucker

Signed Sealed in ye presence of
william Hopkins senr:
william Tirpin
william Hopkins junr:

Providence Aprill ye 7th: 1712 Personall appeared the above named William Hopkins junr: and made oath to ye above Written will before me Tho: ffenner Assistant. /

The 19th day of October 1711: william Hopkins senr, & William Tirpin appeared personally before the Towne Councill of Providence and made oath to ye abovesd will: The which day the said will by ye Councell hath been Examined. /

Recorded October ye 9th 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[**232**] Here followeth the Record of the Jnventary of ye Estate of the deceased Meris Tucker.

Providence October ye 4th 1711./ Apriseall of ye Estate that did belong to Meris Tucker. /

	lb	s	d
ffor Cooppers Tooles	00	12	00
ffor a Kettle	00	04	00
ffor a ffrying Pan	00	04	06
ffor a Trammell	00	02	06
ffor a Paire of Tongs, & a ℘ bell	00	05	06
ffor a Broad Axe	00	03	06

ffor a sikle & fire slice	00–02–06
ffor two Pinchers	00–01–00
ffor a Pott	00–07–00
ffor a box Jron	00–02–06
ffor two Augers	00–02–00
ffor a Candlestick	00–01–00
ffor Old Jron	00–01–00
ffor a Old Gouge & Round Plane	00–01–00
ffor two Planes, file & Gimblet	00–01–08
ffor a Kettle	00–02–00
ffor a how	00–03–00
ffor a bedd, & beding, and bedd sted	07–00–06
ffor a Hettchell and Compasses	00–01–06
ffor the Pewter	00–08–06
ffor Apparrill	01–04–00
ffor leather	00–02–00
ffor a lookeing Glass	00–01–06
ffor two Wheeles	00–05–06
ffor one Chest & two boxes	00–08–00
ffor a Paire of Gloves	00–03–00
ffor a Pitcher & a Earthen Pott	00–01–04
ffor a pair of scalles & two wooden dishes	00–01–06
ffor Money scales & a staff	00–06–06
ffor a great Caske	00–02–00
ffor three sives	00–03–06
ffor a winnowing sive	00–01–06
ffor two Tubbs & a paire of Cardes	
ffor Corne	03–00–00
ffor a Bible	00–04–00
ffor a Maare	01–00–00

ffor swine	01–00–00
ffor a bagg & two Glass bottles	00–04–00
ffor a flesh forke	00–00–09
ffor two old Barrills	00–02–02
ffor a paire of hinges	00–01–06
ffor a Pannill & bridle	00–04–00
ffor tw hammers	00–00–08
Totall is, Errors Excepted	19–06–08

The Jnventarey of the Estate of Meris Tucker who departed this life the 23rd day of of september 1711; Taken by us this fourth day of October 1711: by us

Zachariah Jones
The mark X of George Keech. /

Zachariah Jones and George Keech the 19th day of Ocober 1711, before the Towne Councill of Providence, made oath to the abovesaid Jnventarey; /

Recorded October ye 13th, 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[233] Whereas Benoni Woolley of this Towne of Providence departed this life november ye 23: 1712 and dying intested, whereby ye Administration of his Estate fell to the Care of ye Towne Councill of said Providence; And whereas at a Towne Councill meeting December ye 9th: 1712 Hannah Woolley widdow of sd Benoni Woolley presented the Councell with an Jnventary of the Estate of her said deceased husband, the which said Jnventarey the Councill then Examined & allowed; but the said widdow Hannah Woolley Refused to take the Administration on ye sd Estate; And James Bick formerly of sd Providence, but now Resideing one the Esterne side of Pautucket River (out of Providence Towneship)

upon her Refuseall desired Administration one said Estate, unto whome the Councill granted the Adminestration of sd Estate. The sd James Bick, & also Richard Phillipps of said Providence haveing both joyntly & severally given bond for the sd James Bick his true & legall Administration upon said Estate in all Perticulars according as ye law Requires an Administrator to do; vpon which the Councill granted unto said James Bick a letter of Administration:

Here followeth the Record of ye Jnventarey of Benoni Woolley of sd Providence (deceased.)

November ye 29th 1712.

The Jnventary of ye Estate of Benoni Woolley | deceased. |

	lb s d
To weareing Apparill	04–10–0
money	02–05–6
Two Cowes	06–00–0
Two steers, one Calfe	04–00–0
one sow 5 shoats	02–00–0
one maare	02–10–0
6 Barrills of sidar	01–16–0
3 Barrills of Beere	00–06–0
one Gun & sword	03–12–0
Butter & Cheese	01–07–0
Hoggs Lard	00–06–8
Cooppers Tooles	01–09–0
Horse Chaines & a draught Chaine	01–00–0
Cart Boxes	00–10–0
Jron lumber	00–17–0
Pewter & brass	00–18–0
Loome & tackling	01–10–0

Sledd	00–06–0
Cart & yoake, staples, Rings	00–06–6
one woollen wheele	00–05–0
Hay	02–05–0
ffrying Pann	00–04–0
woodden Waare	01–05–0
Chest & Box	00–12–0
Two bells and ffork	00–07–6
[234]	lb s d
Meat & Corne, beanes	03–14–0
Bedd & bedding, one Pott	04–10–0

Joseph Chillson
James Bick
Ebenezer Cooke. /

Hannah Woolley widdow of ye deceased Benoni Woolley hath before ye Councill made Oath to the abovesaid Jnventarie so also hath Joseph Chillson James Bick & Ebenezer Cooke as apprisers December the 9th 1712

December ye 9th: 1712, at a Councill Meeting of Providence the abovesd Jnventary was by ye Councell Examined and Allowed

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /
Recorded December ye 15th 1712
℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to James Bick to Adminester on ye Estate of ye deceased Benoni Woolley.

Whereas Benoni Woolley of ye Towne of Providence in the Coloney of Road Jsland &c. departed this life the Twenty third day of November Anno: One Thousand seven hundered

& twelve; And dying Jntested, whereby the Care of Administration on his Estate fell to the Towne Councell of said Providence; And Hannah Woolley widdow of the said deceased Benoni Woolly Refused to take Administration thereon: And upon her Refuseall, you James Bick, formerly of said Providence (but now Resideing on the Easterne side of Pautuckett River) haveing desired Administration on sd Estate, & haveing already given in bond for the true & legall Performance of Administration wee Joseph Jenckes Assistant & Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all ye Rest of ye now Towne Councill of said Providence, Do now by these presents Comitt unto you the sd James Bick the whole Power of Administation on the moveable Estate of the said Benoni Woolley (deceased:) so farr forth as the law doth us impowe[ ] on the said Estate to Adminester, act, do, and legally to performe in all perticulars as the law doth Require an Administrator to do; And to Render an account to the Councill of your actings therein when by them Required. /

By Order of ye Councill and on their behalfe
Tho: Olney, Clerk,

Dated December the 10th: 1712

Recorded December ye 15th: 1712. ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[**235**] Whereas William Hawkins of this Towne of Providence, jun^r: the son of William Hawkins departed this life the 8th of October 1712; And dying intested whereby the Care of the setleing of his Estat fell to ye Towne Councill of said Providence; And whereas Elizabeth Hawkins widdow of ye sd deceased william Hawkins did at a meeteing of the Towne Councill of sd Providence | December the 9th 1712 | present

to them an Jnventary of ye Estate of her sd deceased Husband for there Examination & allowance thereof, shee also making oath that the said Jnventarey did Containe all the moveable Estate of her sd deceased husband as shee knew of, The two apprisers (viz) Eliezer Arnold & Joseph Smith haveing also on their solemne Engagemt declared it to be a true & just appriseall according to the best of their understanding, The Councill haveing Examined the same, declare their allowance of sd Jnventary; The said widdow then desireing Administration on her said deceased husband his Estate; the which the Councill unto her Granted: Jt being December ye 9th 1712

The Record of the abovesaid Jnventary is as ffolloweth. /

An Jnventarey of the Estate of William Hawkins junior, lately deceased, who departed this life the 8th of October 1712:

	lb s d
To weareing Apparrill	10–15–00
To bedding & bedd sted in a Chamber	03–06–00
To a Chest & linnen in it	02–10–00
To six barrills of sider	02–02–00
To wooll & flax in the Chamber	01–16–00
To salt & Corne & Beanes in the Chamber	00–16–00
To a Pillion, Lumber in ye Chamber	00–14–00
To two bedds & bedding in a lodgeing Roome	14–00–00
To Warming Pann	00–12–00
To a Trunke & Chest in ye bed Roome	00–17–00
To Jron Pot & brass Ketle & frying pan & skillet	01–13–00
To butter & Cheese in ye Buttrey	02–00–00
To bottls & Trayes & lumber in ye Buttrey	00–10–00
To Pewter & bookes in ye dwelling Roome	02–06–00
To yarne & Carsey Cloath in ye dwelling Roome	05–01–06

To Cloath at the Weavers	04–00–00
To two spining wheeles & a Chest & box & lumber,	01–19–00
To one Jron Pot & Ketle & other Jron Waare	01–16–00
To one brass Kettle & a hand Saw	04–12–06
To Plow Jrons & chaines & horschains & 2 axes	01–00–00
To Harrow teeth & 2 sithes & other Jron waare	00–17–06
To Corne in a Cribb	05–00–00
To a Gunn	01–10–00
To saddle & Bridle	00–10–00
To foure Cowes	10–00–00
To two steeres	04–10–00
To one Maare & two Coults	07–10–00
To one & Twenty swine	12–00–00
To 200 Pound of Tobacco	01–13–04
To a barrill of Cidar & Soape & meat in a Cellar	01–02–00
To one yeare & vantage steere & three Calves	02–12–00
To Cash	00–10–00

Turne over leafe

[**236**] The Jnventarey on the Other side of this Paper was taken & apprised by us this 15th of October 1712

Eliezer Arnold
Joseph Smith

December ye 9th 1712
Elizabeth Hawkins, widdow of ye deceased William Hawkins junr: gave attestation to ye Jnventarey on the other side of this Paper; So also did the apprisers:

December the 9th 1712; the Jnventarey on the other side of this Paper written, was, by the Towne Councell of Providence Examined & allowed: Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Record December ye 16th 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to Elizabeth Hawkins (widdow). /

Whereas William Hawkins of this Towne of Providence, jun^{r}: (the son of william Hawkins) departed this life October ye 8th in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & Twelve, & dying intested whereby ye Care as to ye Administration on his Estate, for a settlement thereof fell to the Towne Coucill of Providence in the Coloney of Roade Jsland &c: of which Towne ye said deceased william Hawkins was an Jnhabitant; And whereas you Elizabeth Hawkins, widdow of the sd decased William Hawkins have desired the Administration on ye Estate of your said decesed husband, and haveing given in bond for the true & faithfull Performance thereof, Wee Joseph Jenckes, Assistant, & Thomas ffenner, Assistant, together With all the Rest of the now Towne Councill of sd Providence, do now by these p^{r}esents Comitt unto you the sd Elizabeth Hawkings (widdow) the whole & full Power of Adminesteration on ye Moveable Estate of your sd deceased husband william Hawkings, (so farr forth as the law doth us impower,) on the sd Estate to Administer, act, do & legally to Performe in all Perticulars as the law doth Require an Administrator to do: And to Render an account of your actings therein to ye Councell when by them Required.

Dated December ye 15th 1712: By Order of ye Councill and on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk

Recorded Decem^{br} ye 15th 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Whereas John Malavery | senior: | of the Towne of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland, &c, departed this life

about the later End of the Month of September or in ye begining of the month of October | 1712 | and leaveing behind him a written will beareing date the fourth of July one Thousand seven hundred & Twelve wherein he disposed of his Estate; The which said Will, together With ye Jnventary of ye sd John malavery his Estate was by his son John Malavery Exhibeted to the Towne Councill of sd Providence for their Eamination thereof; The which at the meeting of the Councill December ye 12th 1712, the sd will & Jnventary were both by the Councell Examined and alowed;

The Record of ye sd will is as followeth. The [**237**] The Twenty fourth of July one Thousand seven hundred and Twelve. I Jon Malavery of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland in New England, being very weake of Body but of perfect sences and memory, & calling to mind the Mortality of my Body, knowing it is appoynted for all men once to dye; Therefore do make & Ordaine this my last Will & Testament; And as touching such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to give unto me in this life, I give Demise & dispose of ye same in the following Manner and forme.

Jmprimis, I Give to my welbeloved son John Malavery all & singular my lands, meaddowes with all Rights of lands that belongeth to me with all the houseing to me at this time belongeth

Jtem, I also Give & bequeath all my Moveables, or Moveable Estate to my son John Malavery whome I make my true Executor of this my last Will & Testament; Except forty shillings in money which I Give & bequeath to my wel beloved daughter Elizabeth Phillipps, and likewise to my other two daughters, Deliverance Mathuson & Mary Jnman;

I Give & bequeath forty shillings to Each of them to be paid to them by my son John Malavery out of my Estate in Current money of New England; ffurthermore; Jf it so happen that I dye before my now wife Elizabeth Malavery, I order her to have a suteable & Convenient maintaineance out of this my Estate till shee departs out of this presant life; And so I make & ordaine my son John Malavery my true Executor of this my last will and Testament: And I do hereby disanull Revoke & make voyd all other Testaments or Wills, Legacyes, Executors by me in aneys named:

Ratifieing & Confirming this to be my last will & Testament:

Jn Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seale this twenty fourth day of July in ye yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & twelve.

Signed Sealed & The mark of X John Malavery
Pronounced Published &
declared by ye sd John Malavery sen^r^: to be his last Will & Testament, in the presence of us ye subscribers,

Samuell Aldrich
John Mawrey

The above Written Samuell Aldrich & John Mawrey as witnesses to the above Written will made Oath thereunto before the Towne Councell of Providence December ye 12th, 1712.

December ye 12th, 1712 the above Written Will was by ye Towne Councell of Providence Examined and alowed: Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded December ye 26th 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Turne over ye leafe

[238] Here followeth the Record of ye Jnventary of ye deceased John Malavery senior, his Estate. /

Providence December ye 8th 1712

This is a true Jnventary of ye Moveable Estate of John Malavery deceased, taken by us whose hands are hereunder written; as followeth. /

	lb s d
One yoake of Oxen	08–00–00
Nine Cowes	22–10–00
One Thre yeare old Heifer	02–00–00
One two yeare old Heifer	01–15–00
Three yeareling Cattle	03–00–00
One Calfe	00–10–00
One two yeare old Bull	01–10–00
One horse	01–00–00
Two Boares	00–12–00
Eighteene load of hay	13–10–00
One Cart & one Plough	01–10–00
Two Chaines & one yoake	01–00–00
Horse Chaines	00–07–00
Two Axes & one hoe	00–08–00
A Clevice & pinn	00–02–00
One sithe & tackling	00–05–00
Two Old sithes	00–01–06
One Beetle & two Jron wedges	00–03–00
One Bull Hide	00–03–06
One Grinding stone	00–05–00
One Jron froe	00–02–00
ffourteene Barrills of Cidar	03–10–00
Jndian Corne	04–00–00
	66–04–00

	lb s d
The account of ye upper Roome	20–00–00
The leaneto	10–00–00
The lower Roome	
Jron waare	00–08–00
Brass & Pewter	02–10–00
Glass, Bedd & bedding & two Chests	16–04–00
His weareing Apparrill	06–10–00
Dried Meate	00–01–06
One Gun, one sword & one saddle five sheeirs, Glass Bottles & Trays & Payles	06–00–00
	61–13–06
I set them both downe	66–04–00
Here is the Totall sum	127–17–06

December ye 12th: 1712 the above
Jnventary was by ye Towne Councell of Providence Examined & Alowed: Joh Sayles Richard Phillips
Attests, Tho: Olney Clerk. /
Recorded December ye 26th: 1712,
℘ Tho: Olney Clerk

Here followeth the Record of ye letter of Administration to John Malavery.

Whereas John Malavery (sen^r:) Jnhabitant of the Towne of Providence in ye Colony of Road Jsland, &c: departed this life about the latter End of ye month of september or | in | the begining of ye Month of October, in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & twelve And by his last will & Testament beareing date the twenty & fourth day of July in the yeare of [**239**] of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & twelve,

made you John Malavery (his son) his Executor to performe & Execute the sd will; And you the said John Malavery, son of the aforesd deceased John Malavery haveing Exhibited the said will of your said deceased ffather to ye Towne Councell of sd Providence for their Examination & Probation thereof, & they haveing the same Examined and Proved, and you haveing given bond for the true & legall Executeing thereof; Therefore wee Joseph Jenckes Assisstant & Thomas ffenner Assistant, together with all the Rest of the Now Towne Councell of said Providence; do by these presents Comitt unto you the said John Malavery the full Power of Administration on ye Estate of your said deceased ffather, (so farr forth as ye law doth us impower) on the said Estate to Administer, act, do, and all things as the law doth require an Executor to do, to performe, and to Execute the said will in all perticulars according to the true meaneing & intent thereof; and to Render an account | to the Councell | of your Actings thereon when by them Required.

Dated December the 27th: 1712./

By order of the Councell and on their behalfe,
Tho: Olney Clerk./

Recorded December ye 27th 1712: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

At a meeteing of the Councill May ye 18th 1713, held by adjornement from may ye 4th 1713.

This day Sarah Arnold, widdow, & late wife of Eliezer Arnold junior, of this Towne of Providence Exhibbitted the Jnventarey of the Estate of her said late husband who departed this life December ye 18th 1712 | for | their Examination thereof; The which said Jnventary was by the Councill the

same day Examined & Alowed; And upon the Request of the sd widdow, Administeration on the said Estate was to her by ye Councill Granted:

The Record of the sd Jnventary is as followeth. / Providence the 6th of ye 12th month 1712 or 13:

An Jnventarey of the Estate of Eliezer Arnold jun^r^: lately deceased who departed this life ye 18th of ye 10th month 1712:

	lb s d
To Weareing Apparrell	06–17–00
To two bedds & beding in a lodgeing Roome	13–06–00
To one bedd & beding in the outward Roome	02–16–00
To two Chests & linnen in ye outward Roome	02–19–00
To woolen Cloath & yarne in ye outward Roome	05–00–00
To a box & Table in ye outward Roome	00–12–00
To two spinning Wheeles & Chaires in ye outward Roome	00–14–00
To Corne & beanes & other things in the Chamber	02–02–00
To brass Jron & Pewter in the buttery	05–01–00
To two Gunns	02–15–00
To a saddle & bridle & steele Trapp	02–00–00
To meat & drinke & lumber in ye Cellar	06–16–00
To sithes & hoes & fire Tongs & fire slice	02–00–00
To Corne in a Cribb	02–00–00
To a horse and Mare Coult	11–05–00
To Plowes Harrowes & a broad Axe & a narrow Axe	01–16–06
To Hay & Jnglish graine	12–00–00
To foure swine	01–07–00
To a yoake of Oxen	11–00–00
To foure Cowes & foure young Cattle	18–00–00
To a Cart & wheeles	02–10–00

To seven barrills of sider	02–05–00
To a frying Pann at	00–02–00
To Tenn Goates	03–15–00
To Horse Tackling	00–14–00
Taken & made by us	119–12–06

At a Councill Meeteing May ye 18th 1713 the abovesaid Jnventary was by the councell Examined & alowed; the said sarah Arnold haveing made oath to ye same, so also hath Edward smith & Thomas Arnold, as apprisers: Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Edward smith
Thomas Arnold. /

[**240**] Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to Sarah Arnold, widdow of the deceased Eliezer Arnold jun^r:

Whereas Eliezer Arnold jun^r: Jnhabitant of this Towne of Providence in ye Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations &c: departed this life December ye 18th 1712: & dying intestate whereby the Care of Administration on his Estate fell to the Towne Councill of sd Providence; And you Sarah Arnold widdow of the sd deceased Eliezer Arnold jun^r; haveing desired the Administration on the Estate of your said deceased husband; And you haveing already given in bond for the true & legall Administration thereon we Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all the Rest of the now Towne Councill of said Providence, do now by these presents Comitt unto you the said sarah Arnold the whole Power of Administration on ye Estate of your said deceased husband Eliezer Arnold (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the sd

Estate to Administer, Act, do and legally to performe in all perticulars as the law doth Require an [ ]dministrator to do: And to Render an account to the Councill of your actings therein when by them Required.

By order of ye Councill and on their behalfe

Dated may ye 18th 1713.

Tho: Olney Clerk. /

At a meeteing of the Towne Councill October the 9th 1713 Resolved Waterman & Nicholas Sheldon Exhibited to the Councill an Jnventary of the Estate of the deceased Solomon thornton the which Jnventarey was by ye Councill Examined & allowed; The Record whereof is as followeth.

The Jnventary of the Estate of Solomon Thornton of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland and Providence Plantations in New England, deceased, who departed this life ye 18th of september Anno: dom: 1713. /

	lb s d
Jmprimis: To his weareing apparrill	08–05–00
To money	01–08–06
To 3 pieces of New Cloath (viz) nine yardes & halfe of Carsey & plaine, fulled; Three yards of ozenbrigs, and fourteene yards of Tow Cloath,	04–09–06
To 2 small Remnants of New Cloath thread & silk	00–07–00
To seven Pound and halfe of woosted yarne	01–11–06
To one Pound of Deeres leather	00–05–00
To Nine Pound & halfe of woosted wooll	01–03–06
To 3 pound of hose yarne & ninteene pound & halfe of Coulered yarne	01–13–00
To 5 Pound of Pinions	00–03–00
To seventeene Pound of sheeps wooll	10–17–00

To one flock bedd with a feather bolster & two feather Pillowes with Cases & one paire of sheetes & a coverlid, in the Chamber	05–05–00
To a flock bedd in the iner Roome below, with a flock bolster & a paire of sheets a blanket & a Coverlid	04:–10–00
To other Beding, one Coverlid two paire of linnsey woolsey Blankets, & two paire of sheets, & two pillow Cases and a Carsey Blanket	04–10–00
To five brass Kettles, a brass skillet and a brass Candle stick	06–00–00
To Two Jron Potts, two Jron Kettlls & two Jron Candle sticks & tw tramills	02–05–00
To a paire of | fire | Tongs & fire sclice frying pan & Grid Jron	00–12–00
[**241**] To foure Pewter Platters, foure basons, & foure small old Porringers, a quart pott, two Pewter spoones, & five occamy spoones & a Tinn Tunnell	lb s d 01–18–00
To an Earthen Creame Pott, three Earthen Panns, an Earthen Jugg and five Glass bottles	00–05–00
To Two Tables & a joynt stoole, seaven Chaires a linnen wheele & a Reele & a Chest	02–02–00
To a Gunn & a sword & a hetchell, two paire of sheepe shears & a small paire of Tailors shears	01–14–00
To a taper bitted Gimblett & two other Gimblets a square & a hammer, & a Masons hammer and a trowell, two Augers & a sickle	00–11–00
	49–15–00

To a Paire of Cardes	00–02–00
To a Saddle & bridle & male Pillion	01–02–00
To seven Trays two Runletts a Can & 4 pailes & a cherne & cheese tubb & straining dish a Piggin, one wooden dish & Trenchers, 2 skiming dishes and two Cheese fatts	01–05–00
To an Jron barr, a broad Axe, 3 Narrow Axes & a Mortizeing Axe, two draught Chaines, thre broad Hoes & two Narrow Hoes two bells and a Grinding stone	03–01–00
To a Plow, & Plow Jrons & an old paire of Plow Jrons, a Cart & wheles & Jron hoops & boxes, Clevis & Pinn & yoake & staple & Ring, Jron Axell pins & Cart Rope, & three pitch forks	03–13–00
To an old whipp saw & an old Hand saw	00–05–00
To old Caske & other old lumber	01–10–00
To a Bible & Teastament & 2 or 3 small bookes	00–04–00
To Jndian Corne, suposed to be 80 bushells	08–00–00
To Rye supposed to be 6 bushells	00–18–00
To a small quantety of flax & Tobacco	02–01–00
To 5 Cowes, 4 yearelings, two Calves & a Mare	31–00–00
To 20 sheepe & 7 swine	10–00–00
To about sixteene loade of hay	10–00–00
To Three bed steads & bedd Cords	01–01–00
To Two sives & three baggs; being meale sives & meale Baggs, & a Peck	00–12–06
Goods claimed by his daughter Amy; To a fether bed & bolster & two fether Pillowes & an old Rugg & a Coverlidd two blankets & a sheete	12–00–00
To 17 yardes of New Napkin Cloath, & foure napkins, & a small Table Cloath	03–00–00

To a warmeing pann, & brass skellett, and smoothe-ing Jron & heaters	01–00–00
To six new pewter Platters	02–08–00
To six new Pewter Basons	01–00–00
To six new pewter plates & nine new Pewter Por-rengers	00–17–00
To a Pewter Tanker & two beakers, two dram Cupps & a salt siller, & nine spoones, being one occamy & the Rest Pewter	00–12–00
To six Graters, & Candle stick, a scimmer a peper box, being all Tinn; six Earthen Muggs & two Glass bottles	00–09–02
To a wooden ladell five Woodden dishes	00–01–06
To a Trunke two Chests & a box	01–05–00
	96–07–02

Turne ovr the leafe

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	lb s d
To a new Bible a Pillian & Pillian Cloath, & woollen wheele	01–03–00
The sum totall Errors Excepted is	147–05–02

A true Jnventarey Taken & made the third day of October 1713: by us Nicholas Sheldon
Resolved Waterman; /

The above Named Nicholas Sheldon and Resolved Waterman Personally Appeared the 9th day of October Anno: Dom: 1713: & gave oath to the trueth of the above written Jnventarey; before me Richard Waterman Assistant, in the presence of the Towne Councill. /

Recorded October the 20th 1713: ℘ Tho: Olney; Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration on the Estate of ye deceased Solomon Thornton. /

Whereas Solomon Thornton of the Towne of Providence in th Colony of Roade Jsland and Providence Plantations in New England departed this life the 18th of september in the yeare 1713; and dyeing intested whereby the Care of the Administration on his Estate fell to the Towne Councell of sd Providence, as also the wardshipp of ye Children & Gardianshipp of the Heir: And you Thomas Harris and Mercy Burdin being both of the aforesd Towne of Providence, & willing to take Administration on said Estate, & wardshipp of the Children & Gardianshipp of the Heir, and you haveing Given in Bond for the true & legall Administration thereon; Wee Thomas ffenner Assistant & Richard Waterman Assistant together With all the rest of the now Towne Councell of sd Providence, do now by these presents Comitt unto you the sd Thomas Harris and Mercy Burdin the whole Power of Administration on the Estate of the said deceased Solomon Thornton and wardshipp of the said Children & Gardianship of the Heir (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) on the said Estate to Administer, Act, do & legally to Performe in all Perticulars as the law doth Require an Administrator to do: And to Render an account to the Towne Councll of your actings therein when by them Required.

Dated October the 18th 1713. /

By order of the Councell and on their behalfe Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded January ye 11th 1713/14 ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk./

[**243**] Whereas Silas Carpenter of Pautuxet in the

Towneshipp of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland, &c, departed this life December the 25th 1695: and left a written will behind him, but his Executrix brought not his Will to the Towne Councill for Examination thereof untill the 8th day of Aprill 1701, & then his widdow Sarah Carpenter (his Executrix) brought his sd will & the Jnventary of his Estate to the Councill to be Examined the which was then by the Coucill both Examined & approved; the councill also ordered the Clarke of the Councill to take bond of her on the Councill their behalfe for the legall Executing of ye sd Will & then on the Councill their behalfe to give unto her a letter of Administration. But shee went away & Came not againe to the Councill nor to the Clarke to give bond nor take a letter of Administration; Therefore, least any mishapp should befall the said will or Jnventary, or both, it was thought Convenient to put them both upon Record./ The Record of the sd will is as followeth. /

Know all men by these presents, that I Silas Carpenter of Pautuxet in the Towneshipp of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland and Providence Plantations, &c; being in Perfect sence & memory; although weake in Body, have made my last Will & Testament as followeth;

ffirst of all I bequeath my soule to God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried by my Executrix & Executor hereafter named. /

Jmprimiss, I Give & bequeath to my Eldest son Silas Carpenter all my mansion houses Lands Meaddowes in Pautuxett on the East side of Pauchasset River, Excepting that perc|ell| of meaddow march & Thatch which belongeth to me at Pumganset which is to be disposed of as followeth.

Secondly, I Give & bequeath to my youngest son william Carpenter all my lands devided and vndevided within the prescints of Providence together with the aforesaid Meaddow Marsh and Thatch at Pumganset.

Jtem, I do give & bequeath to my two sones aforesaid (viz) silas Carpenter & william Carpenter all that my land on the west side of Pauchaset River lying within Pautuxet Purchase to be Equally devided betwixt them, All which said lands houseings Meaddowes aforesaid I do give & bequeath to my two aforesd sons william & silas Carpenter to have and to hold for Ever to them & their Heirs. /

Jtem I give & bequeath to my two daughters Phebe Carpenter and sarah Carpenter Twenty Pounds apiece of Money or Equivolent to money to be given to them at Eighteene yeares old or at their marriage day if it be before.*

[244] Whereas there was a stranger one Gerge Walker, by name who Came into this Towne of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland, &c, & for some time made his aboade at the house & dwelling of Edward Smith of said Providence, the sd Walker haveing some Estate in sd Providence, And the said George walker at the house of sd Edward Smith upon ye 26th day of November | 1713 | dyed & before his death made his will the which will together with an Jnventary of his Estat which he had in sd Providence was by ye said Edward Smith upon the 28th of December 1713 presented to the Towne Councill of sd Providence for their Examination; The which were both by the Towne Coucill the same day Examined; The Record of the said will is as followeth. /

The Twenty fourth day of November in the yeare of our Lord 1713, I George Walker liveing now in Providence in the

* The will of Silas Carpenter appears in Early Records vol. vi. page 156.

Colony of Roade Jsland and Providence Plantations, being very sick & weake in body, but of Perfect mind & memory, thankes be given unto God therefore, calling unto mind the mortality of my Body, & knowing that it is appoynted for all men once to dye, do make & ordaine this my last will & Testament; That is to say, first of all I do Comend my Body to the Eath to buired in a desent manner at the descresion of my Executors, And as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I Give, devise, & dispose of the same in the following manner & forme;

Jmprimis, I Give & bequeath to Edward Smith his wife Mary five Pounds Current Money of new England;

Jtem, I Give & bequeath to Joseph Smith son of Edward smith (deceased) five Pounds Current Money of New England,

Jtem, I Give & bequeath to Abigail owens servant maid to Edward Smith Twenty shillings current money of new England;

Jtem I Give & bequeath to James Tripp his wife Elizabeth of Dartmouth in the County of new Bristoll | in | new England Twenty shillings Current money of new England.

Jtem I Give & bequeath all the Remaineing part of my Estate to my three younger brothers & five sisters dwelling at Saalby in the Parish of Decar in Cumberland in Great Brittan; viz; To my brother Mark, my Brother Jacob, & my brother John, & my sister Ann, my sister Margeret, my sister Mary, my sister Ruth & my sister Joyce to be Equally devided betweene those Eight to Each a Equall Part. Jtem I Constitute make and ordaine Edward Smith of Providence & Joseph Mawrey of Cananacut my sole Executors of this my last will & Testament & I do hereby vtterly disallow Revoake & dis-

anull all & Every other former Testaments wills & Legacyes Requests & Executors by me in any ways before this time named willed & bequeathed Rattifieing & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament; Jn witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale the day & yeare above written. /

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced, & declared by the sd George Walker as his last will & Testament in the presence of us the subscribers (viz)

George Walker

William Gulley
Joseph welfhead
Sam[ll]: Wilkinson. /

December the 28th: 1713 the above wratten will was Examined by the Towne Councill of Providence, Attests Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

Recorded December y[e] 31: 1713
℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

[**245**] Here followeth the Jnventary of so much of y[e] Estate of one George Walker a stranger, who died in Providence at the house of Edward Smith; as was found in Providence.

An Jnventary of the Estate of Georg Walker who deceased the Twenty sixt day of December, 1713.

Weareing apparill	lb s d
To Two old Coasts & a wastcot	01–00–00
To a Paire of Breeches & a wastcoat	00–18–00
To Three paire of Old Breeches	00–07–00
To stockins & shooes, an old Hat & Gloves	00–16–00
To Two old shirts	00–06–00

To some old Neck cloths & handcerchefs	00–08–00
To a Cloake Bagg	00–06–00
To sewing silke & Thread	00–03–06
To a Razer, two knives & a forke	00–04–00
To a paire of Tailors sheares Thimbls & needells	00–03–00
To sum Glass Bottls & some oyle	00–03–00
To Kash	00–06–01
To a Mare	07–00–00
To a Saddle & bridle	02–00–00
	14–00–07

This is a True Jnventary Erorrs Excepted of all the Estat of George Walker which was brought to our vew which is now in the Possession of Edward Smith of Providence, Taken December ye Leventh 1713; by us

December the 28th: 1713 the above written Jnventary was Examined by the Towne Councill of Providence;

sam^ll^ wilkinson
Thomas Arnold

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded January ye i^st^: 1713/14: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Whereas Joseph Burden of this Towne of Providence is Departed this life being on the 30th day of December Anno 1713 found dead in the River called wanasquatucket River; and leaveing of some Estate behind him; whereupon, his widdow margery Burden Caused an Jnventary of said Estate to be taken; and at a Towne Councell meeteing held upon the Twenty & third day of January 1713/14: presented the said Jnventary to the Councell in order to a setlement of said Estate; the wch sd Jnventary the Councell Examined & Allowed, and Granted unto the sd widdow Administration on

sd Estate. / The Record of the sd Jnventary is as followeth. /

The Jnventary of the Estate of Joseph Burden (deceased) is as followeth. /

	lb s d
To his weareing Apparrill & a Cane	11–06–00
To Money	00–15–00
To a Bedd & furniture	10–00–00
To a Bed and blancketts	03–00–00
To i paire of sheetes	00–12–00
To i sheete	00–12–00
To 2 Pillow beares	00–05–00
To i Table Cloath	00–05–00
To Napkins	00–06–00
To 2 Chests	00–13–00
To 2 Boxes	00–04–00

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	lb s d
To Cooppers Tooles & Carpenters Tooles	01–13–00
To a Gunn	01–00–00
To small Tooles	00–04–06
To 2 sithes and an axe	00–07–00
To fire shovell & Tongs	00–07–00
To a Spade & hoe & sithe Tackling	00–08–06
To 2 Kettles & 2 Trammills	01–00–00
To i Bible	00–06–00
To a Loome & Tackling belonging to it	02–10–00
To Jndian Corne	01–10–00
To Rye	00–10–00
To a Barrill & two sives	00–04–00
To a Pillian & Cloath	00–10–00
To woosted yarne	01–03–00

To | other | yarne	01–02–00
To sheeps wooll	00–06–00
To fflax	00–16–00
To a Cooppers scrose & Truss hoopes	00–04–00
To Pitchforks & Rakes	00–04–00
To i Saddle	0i–02–00
To i Bell	00–00–06
To a Grid Jron a skellet & Trevett	00–15–00
To a brass Kettle	03–00–00
To i Jron Pott	00–08–00
To a ffrying Pan	00–06–00
To a woolling wheele	00–04–00
To Chairs	01–00–00
To Yarne	00–06–00
To wooll	00–05–00
To a paire of Cards & a lock	00–02–00
To i lookeing Glass	00–03–00
To i Box Jron & heaters	00–05–00
To Trayes & Barrills	00–06–00
To Pewter & spoones	04–15–00
To i Candle stick	00–01–00
To a Tubb & butter	00–08–00
To oates	01–10–00
To 2 Pailes	00–02–00
To Cheese	00–12–00
To Candles	00–02–00
To Tallow	00–07–00
To Turnips	00–01–00
To Biefe & Porke	04–00–00
To a Grinding stone	00–11–00

To i Caske of Apple drinke	00–10–00
To Empty Caske	00–05–00
To more caske	00–04–00
To Tobacco	00–03–00
To an Apple Mill	01–15–00
To Boards	00–11–00
To 4 Cattle, neat kine,	08–10–00
To 20 sheepe	05–00–00
To 3 Swine	00–16–00
To Hay	02–00–00
To i Table	00–10–00
To i Table	00–04–00
To a cider Press & Cooppers Axe	00–16–00
Totall sum, Errors Excepted,	83–16–06

This [**247**] This above Written Inventary was taken January the 12th 1713/14 by us Jonathan Whipple junr
William Olney,

The above said Jnventary was by the Towne Counce|ll| of Providence at their Councell meeteing January the 23rd 1713/14 Examined & Allowed; Attests

Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded January ye 26th 1713/14: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administeration Granted unto Margery Burden (widdow) to Administer on the Estate of her deceased husband Joseph Burden.

Whereas Joseph Burden of the Towne of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations in New England departed this life December the 30th 1713: And dyeing intestate whereby the Care of the Administration of

his Estate fell to the Towne Councell of said Providence: And you Margery Burden, Widdow of the said deceased Joseph Burden haveing desired the Administration on the said Estate, & haveing Given in bond for the true & legall Administration thereon: Wee Thomas ffenner Assistant and Richard Waterman Assistant, together with all the Rest of the Now Towne Councell of said Providence, do now by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you the said Margery Burden the Whole Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased husband Joseph Burdin, on the said Estate to Administer, act, do, and legally to performe in all perticulars as the law doth Require an Administrator to do; And to Render an account to the Councell of your actings therein, when by them Required. /

Dated January, ye 27th: 1713/14: By order of the Councell & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

At a Councill Meeteing Aprill ye 30th 1714 Joseph ffield of providence presented his deceased mother her will & Testament, and also an Jnventary of her Estate for their Examination; the which were both Examinid & allowed: The Record of sd will is as followeth,

Jn the name of God Amen; I Sarah Gurney being weake of Body yet by the blessing of God of sound and perfit sence and memory, and I knowing that all People are subject to Mortalitye. and not kn|o|wing how soone it may please Good to Remove me out of this life, I make this my last will hereby makeing voyd all former wills and this only to stand in force

as my last Will and Testament; ffirst I bequeath my spirit to God that gave it me, and my body to the Earth to be decently buiried at the discression of my Executor here after named;

2d I Give to my loveing son Zachariah ffield five shillings to be paid by my Executor in one yeare after my decease,

3d I Give to my Loving son John ffield five shillings to be paid by my Executor in on yeare after my decease.

4th I Give to my loving son James ffield five shillings to be paid by my Executor after my decease, if he live to come home

5th I Give to my loveing son Daniell ffield five shillings to be paid by my Executor in one yeare after my decease,

6th I Give to my loveing daughter Sarah ffield all my brass and Pewter & Jron vessells, and Bedding and other vtensells for house keepeing.

7th I order and appoynt my Loving son Joseph ffield my Executor to Execute this my last will & Testament to [**248**] to whome I Give all my Cattell she|e|pe & swine & working Tooles, they being the product of his Care & dilligence And in Confirmation of this my last Will & Testament I have hereunto set my hand & seale this last day of March in the yeare of our Lord 1714 and thirteenth yeare of the Reign of our sovereign Lady Anne by the Grace of God Queene of Great Brittan; Signed and sealed & declared to be her last will & Testament in the presence, of

John X Gurney
his mark
William Hopkins,
Josiah Thornton

Sarah X Gurney
her mark

Aprill the last day 1714 John Gurney the husband of the above named Sarah Gurney personally appeared before the Towne Councill of Prov-

At a Councill Meeteing Aprill ye 30th 1714 the abovesd will was by the Towne | Councill | of Providence Examined and approved, Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

idence, and declared that he was present at his wives makeing the above written will, and gave his Consent thereunto; And did also further declare before said Councill that he was freely willing the said Estate should be disposed of according to said will;

As Attests ℘^r Richard Waterman Assistant;

Recorded may ye i^st, 1714: ℘ Tho: Olney; Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventary of the Estate of the deceased Sarah Gurney:

An Jnventary of the Estate of Sarah Gurney who departed this life the sixteenth day of Aprill one Thousand seven hundred and fourteene.

	Jmprimis	
	To her Weareing Apparill	02–10–00
Jtt	To bedding & towo bedds	12–00–00
Jtt	To brass & pewter & Jron vessells	06–05–00
Jtt	To Trammills Grid Jron spit Pott hookes and other Jron Old & worne	01–00–00
Jtt	To one Auger and other Tooles	01–04–00
Jtt	To two bedd steds and two Chests	01–02–00
Jtt	To two Wheeles and some lumber	01–00–00
Jtt	To two Cowes and three Heifers	19–10–00
Jtt	To two steers to yeares old & one Heifer	06–15–00
Jtt	To Twenty and seven sheepe	09–09–00
Jtt	To swine	01–00–00
	Sum Totall Errors Excepted	61–15–00

A faire Jnventary of the Estate of Sarah Gurney according to the best of our vnderstanding taken this last day of Aprill 1714; by us

Josiah Thornton
The mark X of
John Gurney;

the above written Jnventary was Examined by the Towne Council of Providence Aprill the 30th 1714: Attests Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

Whereas Sarah Gurney of the Towne of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations in New England departed this life the sixteenth day of Aprill in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred and fourteene, And by her last will and Testament beareing date the last day of March in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred and fourteene; And the Said Sarah Gurney (mother of you Joseph ffield of said Towne of Providence) haveing by her said last will and Testament ordained and appoynted you the said Joseph | field | (her son) to be her Executor to Execute the said Will and Testament, and [**249**] and you haveing accepted the same; And you haveing Given bond for the true and legall Executeing of said will in your | legall | and just administration thereon; wee Thomas ffenner Assistant and Richard waterman Assistant together with all the Rest of the now Towne Councill of said Towne of Providence do now by these presents, on her majestys behalfe, so far forth as the law doth us impower, Comitt unto you the said Joseph ffield the full Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased Mother Sarah Gurney on the same to Administer, act do & Execute and legally in all poynts to performe according as the law doth Require an Executor to do.

Dated Aprill ye 30th, 1714. / By order of ye Councill and on their behalfe,
Tho: Olney Clerk;

At a meeting of ye Towne Councell June the 25th: 1714.

This day John Burton presented ye Councell with the last will & Teastement of his deceased father, William Burton, And also with the Jnventary of his Estate; for the Counells Examinatian; The which were both by the Councell Examined and Allowed. The Record of sd will is as followeth;

I William Burton of Mashantatut in the Province of the Towne of Providence in the colony of Rhode Jsland and Providence Plantations in New England in America being in Perfect Memory but aged, and not knowing how soone it may please God to call me from hence I have therefore thought meete to set my house in order by this my last will and Testament, Resigneing up my soule to God in whose hand it is and my Body to the Earth to be decently buried by my Executor hereinafter Named.

And in the first Place I do Give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Jsbell Burton my house I now dwell in; scituate at Mashantatut aforesaid, together with all the landes I now possess, both upland and meaddowes for her to possess and injoy with all Privelidges and Appurtenances duiring her naturall life or widdow hood: but if shee marrey before shee dye, then my said wife Jsabell Burton shall Relinquish all Claime thereunto; Also I Give unto her halfe my stock of Cattell both cow kind sheepe & swine, and shee shall have all my howsehold Goods for her vse duiring her Naturall life or widdowhood as aforesaid, and then to be Returned to my son John Burton all the Remainder of the Goods.

Jn the next place, I do Give and bequeath unto my Only son John Burton all my said house and lands to be to him his Heirs and Assignes forever after my said wife Jsabell Burtons decease or widdowhood in like manner as aforesaid; Also I Give him all my Household Goods to Possess and injoy after my said wife Jsabell Burtons decease or widdowhood: Jtem I Give him the other halfe of all my stock of Cow kind, sheepe and swine: I also Give him all my Estate both Reall & Personall, not otherwayes dispossed on by this my will: And I do appoynt him to be my sole Executor for to pay and Receive all Just debts, and to pay all Legacyes that I have a|nd| shall Give and bequeath by this my last will and Testament.

Jtem, I Give and bequeath unto my soninlaw M^r^ samuell Gorton and his wife susannah Gorton Tenn poundes to paid in good pay Equivolent to money at three yeares End after my decease.

Jtem, I Give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Mary Curbit Tenn Pound to be paid her at or about three years End after my decease, if shee be of Age, but if not of age then when shee is Eighteene yeares old or day of marriage. Jtem, [**250**] Jtem, I Give and bequeath unto my Eldest daughter Elizabeth Hedger five pounds to be paid her in Good pay Equivolent to money.

Jtem I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Carpenter five pound to be paid her in Good pay Equivolent to money

Jtem I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Rose ffowler five pound to be paid to her in Good pay Equivolen to money.

Jtem, I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Ethlannah Clark five Pound to be paid her in Good pay Equivolent to

money: and all and Every the said payments to Every of them. to be made at three yeares End after my decease.

And in the next place I do desire nominate & appoynt my loveing friends Captaine James Greene and Leiftenant James Carder to be overseers to advise my wife and son aforesaid; And so I take leave comending my wife and Children to live in the feare of God and to live loveingly Each with other; in the feare of whome I hope to live and dye; And in Testamony of this my last will and Testament have hereunto set my hand and seale this 30th of march Anno Domini 1703 And in the first yeare of the Reigne of her Exellent majesty Anne of England, Etcetera, Queene. /

Signed Sealed in presence of

Peter Greene William Burton

Samll: Wickam

James Carder

Whereas in the above written will and Testament upon further Consideration by me william Burton the Testator, see cause to make some alteration as to some particulars and some Adition as to some others the which I shall signifie and declare in this Codicell to be my Will and Testament notwithstanding what is before Exprest; The which is as followeth; Where as in that clause in my will where it is said I Give unto my wife halfe | my stock | of Cattell, both cow kine sheepe and swine, but my intent in that Clawse was and is, that my wife should and shall have the vse of the halfe of my said stock duiring her life but if shee marrey then only duerine her widdowhood and after her death or widdowhood or to say marriage the said halfe of said stock shall shall Revert and be unto my son John Burton his Heirs and Assignes

And whereas in my said will there are severall sums of money bequeathed to severall Persons the which sums I do now see cause to agment to Each person to be paid by my Executor, that is to make up Sam^{ll}: Gorton and his wife their part to be twelve pounds, To make up Mary Curbit her part Twelve pounds, To make up Hannah Carpenters part Eight pounds, And to make up Elizabeth Hedge her part to be Eight pounds, and to make up Rose ffowler her part to be Eight Poundes: anto make up Ethlanna Clarke her part to be Eight pounds: all to be paid in Order and manner according as | in | my will it is Exprest. whereas my son John Burton hath had the vse & benefit of my mashantatuck meaddow, the one-halfe of it heitherto: my will is that he shall still duiring my life have the improvement and vse of the same, and at my decease what he hath had the improvement of shall be unto him my said son his Heirs and Assignes for Ever. This Codicel being a part and Parcell of my last will & Testam^{t}: aforesaid, Jn witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale the Eight day of July Anno Domini, one Thousand seven hundred & thirteene.

William Burton

Signed Sealed & proclaimed in the presence of us
Tho: Olney sen^{r}:
William Tirpin
John Hawkings
Seth Whipple. / :

June the 25th 1714 sd will was Examined & approved Attests
Tho: Olney Clerk:

Recorded July ye 2n^{d} 1714
℘ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[251] The Record of the Jnventary of the | moveable | Estate of the deceased will^{m} Burton of Mashantatat in Providence who died ffebruary ye 20th day 1713/14 is as followeth. /

Providence the first day of May 1714 an Jnventary taken of the moveable Estate of ye deceased William Burton of what was brought to the vew of us, whose names are hereunto subscribed.

	lb s d
To a paire of Oxen	14–00–00
To five Cowes & three Calves	22–00–00
To the halfe of three two yeare old Cattell	03–15–00
To the halfe of three yeare old Cattell	02–05–00
To Twenty foure sheepe & five lambs ½	08–09–06
To seven Swine	03–10–00
To an Old mare	02–00–00
To a chaine, Plow Jrons & Cop ring & staples	01–09–00
To wheele hoopes Boxes bolts Clevice & Pinn	00–14–00
To horse chaines, two axes, a Trammell, two hoes	01–00–00
To old Sithes & other old Jron & Sithe Tackling	00–13–00
To old Cart Rope, bedd Cord forke tines	00–07–00
To two old Bedds and two hatchells	01–00–00
	61–02–06
To Pewter & brass and other Triflings things	02–11–06
To Shoo leather	00–10–06
To old Jron	00–06–00
To a Bridle Sturrup Jrons & leathers	00–08–04
To Old Chaires	00–03–06
To an old Table	00–02–00
To a chest and a box	00–16–00
To flax fourteene pounds	00–14–00
To a feather bedd, beddsted & furniture	10–12–00
To Cotten wooll, three pounds	00–05–00
To a Warming pann	00–14–00

To a flock bed, Bolster, bedsted, Cord & two coverlids and seven blanketts	07–14–00
To weareing Appa|re|ll	14–10–00
To three paire of sheetes, Napkins & Pillow Cases	03–10–00
To Chests & beddsted	01–00–00
To Trays and other woodden waare	00–12–06
To Jron Potts, Kittles & frying pann	01–19–00
To Earthen ware	00–01–06
To linnen wheeles	00–08–00
To Nineteene Pounds of wooll	00–19–00
To bookes	00–12–00
To a box	00–00–08
To Eleven barrills, foure Old Tubbs	01–00–00
To thre paire of Old Cardes	00–04–00
To a small Remnant of Cloath & flax	00–12–00
Othaniell Corton	61–02–06
Roger Burllinggame jun^{r}: sum totall	111–08–00

The above written Jnventarey was by the Towne Councell of Providence at their Councell meeteing June the 25th 1714: Examined & allowed,

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded July ye 5th 1714: ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk.

[252] Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration from the Towne Councill of Providence to John Burton to Adminester on the Estate of his deceased ffather william Burton of Mashantatuck in said Providence:

Whereas William Burton of Mashantuck in the Townesshipp of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland in new England departed this life the 20th day of ffebruary 1713/14:

And by his last will and Testament beareing date the Thirtieth of March 1703 appoynted you John Burton (his son) to be his Executor to Execute and performe the said will; the which said will hath been by the Towne Councill of said Providence Examined & approved; Wee Joseph Whipple Assistant & Phillip Tillinghast Assistant together with all others the now Towne Councill of said Providence (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you the said John Burton the full Power of Administration on the Estate of your said deceased ffather William Burton on the same to Administer and Execute the said Will in all poynts according to the true meaneing and intent thereof.

Dated June the 27th 1714: By Order of the Towne Councill and on their behalfe;
Tho: Olney Clerk.

Here followeth the Record of the last will & Testament of the deceased William Vinsent;

I William Vinsent being sick of Body yet perfect of vnderstanding do make this my last will & Testament in manner following; I Resigne my soule unto his hands whome Gave me a being here; secondly my body to the Earth to be desently buried at the descression of my Executrix:

As for My Worldly Estate I Give as followeth; To my wife Jemima Tract of lands lieing at the Easter End of Sickotonconet Hill by a Cedar Swampe Esterly, Containeing ninty Eight Acres of lands; Also halfe a Right of Common within the seven miles line; Also five acres of Meaddow lieing Eastward of my now dwelling house which I bought of Abraham Man; all which lieth in the Towneshipp of Providence; And

after the deceasd of my wife Jemima to be devided amongst my three sonns, Thomas Nicolas & the youngest: Also my son William to dwell with my wife untill he com of age in my dwelling house, with all my moveables, Only I Give out of the Estate unto my son William the second best Bedd, with such poore Coverings & bolster as there are, Also a heifer Calfe, five sheepe & my shortest Gunn; All my Tooles betweene William & Thomas; I do also make my wife Jemima sole Executrix to discharge all debts, Receive all debts; This is my sole will.

December 21, the yeare 1695 — The X marke
Signed & Sealed in presence of us — William Vinsent. /
William Randall }
Richard Bowen } as wittnes
John Sheldon }

Jemima Vinsent widdow of the deceased william Vinsent hath the 3d day of March 169⅚ upon her Engagement afirmed to the trueth of the will on the other side of this paper written, so also hath William Randall, Richard Bowin & John Sheldon, as wittnesses:

before the majestrats & Towne Councell. /

What is below the will heere written was written on the back side of the paper whereon the will is written.

Recorded in Providence Towne Councill book
May ye 5th 1715, ℘ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

[**253**] Here followeth the Record of the Jnventary of the Estate of the deceased William Vinsent of Providence. /

The Jnventary of the Estate of William Vinsent of the Towneshipp of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England is as followeth,

Jmprimis, to witt, his Weareing Apparrill Coats breches Hatts and linnin	04–06–00
The weareing Apparrill of William Vinsent jun^{r}:	02–13–00
Stockins & shooes	00–06–00
Neckcloathes Handkerchefs	00–07–00
Three bedds bolsters & Coverings	07–10–00
One Bedd all belonging to it	05–00–00
Brass Kettles skillett scimmer	01–15–00
Pewter	01–10–00
To Jron Potts & kettle	01–00–00
Trammells Pot hookes Slice Tongs	00–10–00
Earthen ware Tinn Pan	00–06–00
Keellers Milke Pailes	00–10–00
Beddstuds Chests Boxes	01–00–00
Two Gunnes & sword	01–10–00
Bookes	00–12–00
Tooles	02–10–00
Lumber	00–04–00
Two wheeles	00–04–00
One Drum	01–00–00
Sheepes Wooll	01–00–00
fflax	00–04–00
Tables Chaires & settle	00–10–00
Chaines	00–17–00
She|e|pe	07–00–00
Cow kine	14–00–00
Horse kind	03–00–00
Swine	03–00–00
Cider	00–18–00
Totall, Errors Excepted	63–02–00

Taken this first of ffebruary 1695 : 1696 : by us
As to debts wee know not, Benjamin Carpenter
As to Money wee find not. / John Sheldon,

Jemima Vinsent widdow of the deceased William Vinsent hath the 3d day of March 169⅚ upon Engagement before the majestrates & Towne Councill of Providence attested to the above sd Jnventarey so also hath Benjamin Carpenter & John Sheldon.

Recorded May the 5th : 1715 : ℘ Tho : Olney, Clerk. /

[**254**] Where as William Turpin of the Towne of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jslan d and Prouidence plantations in new England : departed this Life July ye 18th 1709 and Leaueing a widdow, by name Anne Turpin and three Children, one of his Children being a son by name William Turpin, being his Lawfull Heire & the sd. deseaced William Turpin dying Jntested and Leaueing an Esstate behind him of Houseing Lands and moueables vndissposed of whereby the Said Estate both houseing lands and moueables falls to be unto the widdow unto the Heire & unto the Rest of the Children in order and manner according as the Law hath determined it

Therefore this Jndenter made betwene Anne Turpin ; widdow of the abouesd deceased William Turpin on the one partye : and William Turpin Son and Heire of the aboue : sd : deceased William Turpin on the Other partie boath of sd Prouidence, witnesseth : That the Said Anne Turpin hath Giuen Granted Bargained Solde made ouer and Passed away from herself her Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns : and by these presents doth fully Clearly and Absolutely Giue Grant Bargain Sell make ouer and Pass away from her self

her Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns for Euer: Vnto the sd william Turpin, Son and Heir of the sd deceased william Turpin, all and whole that part of the Esstate of her aforesd | deceased | husband william Turpin which by Law doth any ways vnto her belong: boath as to preuiledge of houseing and Lands and also Goods Cattle or Chattles and all moueable Estate of what sort soeuer to be vnto him the sd william Turpin his Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns for Euer his and theire own proper Esstate Jn Consideration whereof the sd william Turpin doth Couinant Promise Grant and fully agree with the Said Anne Turpin his Mother in Law, his deceased fathers, widdow, to yeild and allow vnto her the whole vse and Command of one Roome in the Dwelling house which was his fathers house for and dureing the whole term of her natural Life that is the Roome on the North Side of the house where Shee now Lodgeth: And also to allow and giue vnto her a good Beadstead and a good feathor Beadd and Bolster and two paire of Good sheets and one paire of Good Blankets and a Cupple of Good pillows and two pillow beers and one good Couerled all to be: her own proper Estate to disspose of as shee shall see cause to do: And also at all times for and dureing the whole term of her natural Life to keepe and maintaine her with good and Sufficient victuals and drinke and washing and suteable tendance according as her Condition at all times may Call for; And att all times to be allowed the benefet of the fire to goe to it and from it and also to abide by it: and make vse of it as her Occations may Require: And also shee to haue free Recorse through the sd House to and from her sd Roome: And also that the sd William Turpin shall allow and pay unto the sd widdow: his

sd mother in law to her her Heirs Executors Administrators or Assigns the full and just sum of forty Pounds siluer money Currant to be paid within the space of four years time after the date of these presents: That is to say ten pounds the first yeare and so sucsessiuely tenn pounds Each yeare untill the forty pounds bee all paid: Always prouided and niuer the Less Jf it shall so be that the sd Anne Turpin do fall into a Condition of sickness and weakeness that shee must haue more then ordinary attendance: and also that shee must or do Jmproue a Phisitian: then that Charge to be borne by her self out of her own Estate: And it is also agreed that Jf any debts do yet Come forth due from the Estate to be paid which are not yet discharged then for the sd widdow to bare her parte thereof according to her part of sd Estate: this being the Contaact and joynt agreement made betwene the sd Anne **[255]** Turpin and sd William Turpin to the due and true performance of the Same in all the perticuliors the sd William Turpin doth bind himself his Heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents: Jn witness whereof both Parties haue here unto Jnterchange|a|bly sett there hands and Seals this ninth day of August in the yeare of our Lord 1711

Signed Sealled and deliuered William Turpin

Jn the presence of vs

Joseph Whipple }
James Olney }

Recorded this 25th day of August 1715

Pr Richard Waterman Clerk

Know all men by these presents that where as my son Jn Law William Turpin Did sign seale & Duly Execute an

Jndenture or Jnstrument bareing date the Nineth Day of August in the yeare of our Lord 1711: Jn which he became Bound to pay vnto mee the full Sum of forty Pounds in Currant siluer money & to allow me a good feather bed & such furneture as in said Jndenture now vpon Prouidence Councill Record will more fully appeare: I say I haue Receiued the full of the aforesaid forty pounds, & the bed & furniture according to the Tenure of the said Jndenture & the true Jntent & meaning there of. & there of & of Euery part and Percell there of Do by these presents Exonerate acquit & fully discharge my said son Jn Law Turpin his Heirs Executors & Administrators for Euer As Witness my hand & Seale this 9th of January 1715/16

Signed & Sealled Jn Presence of

James Brown — Anne Turpin

Obadiah Brown — her X marke

Recorded this 9th day of January 1715/16

Pr Richard Waterman Clerke

[*256] Here ffolloweth the Record of the last will & Testment of Thomas Man of Providence. /

Jn the Name of God Amen. I Thomas Man of the Towne of Providence in ye Colloney of Road Jsland & Providence Plantations, being very Sick & weake, it throug[ ] the Goodnes of God of Perfect memory and good understanding Doe make my last will & Testament this twelth day of Jully in the yeare of Our Lord one Thousand, Six hundred ninty & foure. /

* At this point the book was reversed and continues this order to the end.

Jmp. Jt is my Will that all my lawfull debts & funerall charges be discharged by my Exsecutrix hereafter Named.

Jtem I Give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary, my dwelling house and barne & orchards & all my land, vpland, & meaddows, devided & undevided, in the Towne of Prouidence to have the improovement of ye while Shee Remaines a widdow untill my son Thomas Comes to age of twenty one years And which shall first happen; shee shall Resigne up to my son Thomas the one halfe of my said houses Barnes Orchard, vpland & meaddow grounds devided & vndevided; I Give likewise her one quarter of my household Goods to her owne dispose; & the improovement of the whole of my household goods while shee Remains a widdow; & at her marriage to Resigne up the other three quarters of the[ ] to my daughters hereafter named.

Jtem I give & bequeath unto my son Thomas my Eldest son; the one halfe of my dwelling house, barne, Orchard, vpland & meaddow ground devided or undevided in the Towne of Providence when he Comes to the age of twenty one yeares, or when his mother Shall marrey againe, to him his heirs & Assignes forever; my said son Thomas paying to my daughter Rachell when he Comes to the age of twenty one yeares five pounds. /

Jtem I give & bequeath to my son Daniell my land at Palmers River, on the East Side of said River, which I purchassed of Samuell Sabin, & the meaddow I had of my ffather Bliss upon Exchang; And the meaddow that was Jsack Allins, & ffifty pound Estate in Comans in the Towne of Rehoboth to him, his heirs and Assignes for Ever, hee payeing five pounds to my daughter Mary when he comes to ye age of; And the meaddow I purchassed of Samuell Sabin

[**257**] Jtem I give to my son John my land at palmers River which I purchassed of John Shaw, & my meaddowow on the east side of Palmers River which I purchassed of John Allin, & fifty pound Estate of Comons in the Towne of Rehoboth, to him his heirs & Assignes forever, & the meaddow I purchassed of Shuttellworth & Heuton. /

Jtem, Jt is my will that if any of my sones dye before they Come to ye age of twenty one yeares, That what lands I have before given to them shall be Equally devided among my sons Surviveing.

Jtem I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Rachell fforty acres of land which was layd out in two lotts in the last devision in Rehoboth on the northeast Corner of the Towne; to her & her heirs & Assignes for ever; and five pounds to be payd by my son Thomas, And one Cow to be paid by my Exsecutrix hereafter named.

Jtem I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Mary my quarter part of the Sawmill upon Rockey River, & Tenn acres of lan[ ] I purchassed of Richard Bowen ye Coopper to her & her heirs & Assignes forever & five pounds to be payd by my son Daniell when he Comes to the age of twenty one yeares. /

Jtem I give to my Daughter Bethia Nine acre[ ] of land which I purchassed of Ensigne Read neere goddman Brookes meaddow on the East side of Palmers Rive to her & her heirs & Assignes forever, & one Cow. /

Jtem I give to my Daughter Mehittabell all my land devided & undevided on the north purchassed lands belonging to Rehoboth, & one Cow. /

Jtem I give to my Daughter Joanna one Cow & Calfe which I purchassed of Samuell Bartlett

Jtem | Jt is | my Will, that if any of my Daughters should dye before they Come to the age of Eighteene yeares, (except otherwise desposed in marriage before:) the landes that I have given them & other Estate shall be equally desposed among my Surviveing Daughters. /

Jtem I Give & bequeath unto my five Daughters three parts of foure of my household goods at my wifes decease or her marriage, to be Equally devided amongst them.

Jtem I Give & bequeath to my Beloved wife Mary [**258**] Mary all the rest of my Estate not before bequeathed, shee paying out my lawfull debts & ffunerall charges. And likewise I doe ordaine Constitut[ ] & appoynt my said beloved wife to be my sole Exsecutrix, & my said Estate I Give her as before Expressed for the bringing up my Chilldren.

Jtem I Give & bequeath unto my son Daniell a percell of fresh meaddow which I had of John Redway at Palmers River,

Jtem I doe Renounce, Dissanull, make voyd all other wills & Teastaments heretofore made; in wittnes hereof that this in two Pages is my last will & Testament I have sett my hand & seale the day & yeare first written; Jtem it is my will, that the house & Land that I have Given to my wife at her decease I give it to my son Thomas to him his heirs & Assignes for ever: /

Signed, Sealed & delivered to be the last will of Thomas Man, in ye presence of vs;

Thomas Read
Enoch Hunt
Samuell Millerd
William Carpenter.

The marke of
Thomas X Man

William Carpenter & Thomas Read the 21 of Agust 1694

appeared before the Towne Councill of Providenc[ ] & made oath as wittnesses to ye abovesaid will. /

The 18th day of September 1694; before the Towne Councill of Providence the wittnesses to the will on this sheete of paper written who appeared not before the Councill at their meeting Agust the 21, last (viz) Samuell Millerd by name, appeared & made Oath upon the Same as he was a wittnes to sd will.

The 20th day of November 1694, Mary Man, widdow & Exsecutrix to the last will & Testament of her deceased husband Thomas man appeared before the Towne Councill & made oath unto the last will & Testament of her deceased husband Tho: man beareing date the 12f day of July 1694. The will of Tho: Man, written on the other pages of this sheete of Paper is the 20th day of November 1694 & hath been Examined, & is approooved by the Towne Councill of Providence

Attests Tho: Olney
Towne Clarke

[**259**] Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of The deceased Tho: man,

An Jnventarey taken of the Estate of Thomas Man who deceased the 18th of July 1694 by us whose names are under written have apprized viz) money in the purse 01–18–00

Jtem weareing Apparrill at	08–10–00
2 Guns, 3 Pistolls, 2 holsters, 2 Cutlashes one belt	04–12–06
Jtem Bedding & bedsteads & 4 beds at	21–00–00
Pewter at	01–17–00
Brass at	01–03–00
Jron potts, frieing pann, fire shovell, Tongs, & Tramill Smoothing Jron & heating Jron	01–11–00

Woollen & linnen yarne at	03–00–00
Sarge & fflannill & linnen Cloath	01–04–00
Table Cloathes & Napkins at	01–00–00
Wooll at	01–05–00
2 Chests at	00–08–00
Keelers, Pailes, Trayes, Tubbs Cherne Dishes, spoones, Trenchers & sive; Glass bottles, Earthen potts, Candlestick, Dore lock	01–00–00
Sidar, Butter, Meat, Barrills at	02–08–00
Cradle & furniture to it Table & Chaires	01–02–00
Cheese & lokeing Glass	00–17–00
Salt, & wheele, Cards & Reele Morter	00–12–00
Old Corne in Cribb	01–15–00
Cart & Cart tackling, Plough chaines	03–00–00
Horse Tackling at	00–06–00
Harrow Teeth, beetle wedges & axes & hoes, sithes & Croe	02–05–00
A Grind stone at	00–12–00
Standing Corne on the ground, or Rye, wheat, Oates	08–00–00
ffruite of ye Orchard, standing Grass	03–04–00
One horse & furniture at	03–00–00
Sheepe & Hoggs at	09–14–00
2 Oxen at	08–00–00
9 Cowes at	21–07–06
a three yeare old bull, 3 yeare old heifer	03–12–00
4 two yeares Old	06–10–00
6 yearelings at	07–10–00
5 Calves at	02–05–00
Hammer, Gimlett, Auger, Pitch-forke	00–02–06
Debt^{r} A Bill of Returne Johnson of	01–00–00

Samuell Comstock	01–05–00
John Hearnton	01–00–00
Ephraim Wheaton	01–00–00
Stephen Paine	03–10–00
William Woodcock	00–05–00
[260]	lb s d
Daniell Browne	00–05–00
Daniell Jenckes	00–06–00
The Totall is, (Errers Excepted)	146–10–06

Apprized by us
John Wilkesons marke X
Moises Bartlett
Afterward Remembred

4 steele Trapps	02–09–00
2 Cow bells 2 ℔ of Cissers one Rassor	
More 12^{s} in the widdow Hearntons hand	00–12–00

The 21 Day of Agust 1694 Mary Man widdow & Exsecutrix to the last will of Tho: Man appeared before the Towne Councill of Providence & made Oath to the abovesd Jnventarey So also did John Wilkeson & Moises Bartlett, who tooke sd Jnventarey. /

Attests Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

Here ffolloweth the Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of the deceased Jo^{n}: Walling. /

An Jnventarey of ye Estate of John Walling deceased, who departed this life ye Eleventh of this instant November 1694

Jmprimis 2 Cowes: & 2 two yeare old & vantage	lb s d
Cattle & 3 yeare & vantage Cattle, & 3 Calves all valued at	12–00–00

Jt	To a maare & bridles & Sadles	02–10–00
Jt	To Jndian Corne & Rye	02–00–00
Jt	To hay	04–00–00
Jt	To Tobacko	03–00–00
Jt	To Armes	02–10–00
Jt	To his Beding & wareing Apparrill	10–10–00
Jt	To Peuter	00–10–00
Jt	To his workeing tooles	01–10–00
Jt	To an Jron Pott & Kittle	00–12–00
Jt	T a ffrying pan, ffire shovell & Tongs & Tramill & Grid Jron	00–16–00
Jt	To 2 chests, & a Box, & 2 Chayres	00–13–00
Jt	To Barrills & other lumber	01–00–00
	The Sum totall, Errors Excepted	41–11–00

Taken this 17th day of November 1694

by us John Dexter
William Hopkins. /

This Jnventarey
is this 20th of November 1694 Allowed by the Towne of Providence, Attests, Tho: Olney Towne Clarke.

[261] Here ffolloweth the Record of a letter of Administration from the Towne Councill of Providence to Thomas Walling. /

Whereas John walling of this Towne of Providence departed this life the 11th of this Jnstant November & dieing intested his Estate legally fell into the hands of the Towne Councill of sd Providence for Administration: And whereas you Thomas walling of sd Providence this twentieth day of November 1694 desired Administration upon your sd deceased Brother

John Walling his Estate; Wee the Towne Councill of sd Providence haveing Considered your Request; Doe Grant unto you the said Thomas Walling as full Power of Administration upon the said deceased John Walling his Estate as the law hath invested us in; & doe give you as full power of Administration thereof as the law giveth us; And that you shall hereby Administer upon the sd Estate & despose thereof unto whome it doth belong according as the law doth Require & to give up your acount unto the Councill of your acting in the premises Wittnes our hands this twentieth day of November one thousand Six hundred Ninty & foure.

Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

Here followeth the Record of the last Wi[ ] & Testament of Ephraim Carpenter of Pautuxett in Providence.

This 20th day of ffebruarey in ye yeare of our Lord 169⅞

I Ephraim Carpenter of Pautuxet in ye County of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations, being very sick & weak[ ] of body, but of perfect Mind & Memory (thankes be to God therefore) Calling un[ ] mind the Mortallitye of my body, a[ ] knowing it is appoynted for all men to dye, Doe make & ordaine this my last Will & Testament (to witt) Princep[ ]ly, & first I Give & Recomend My soule [ ] the hands of God that Gave it & my Body to the Earth to be Buryed; in Christian like & decent Mann[ ] descression of my Exsecutors. A [ ] such worldly Estate Wherewith it hat[ ] pleased God to bless me in this life, I Give & despose in manner as followeth.

Jmprimis. I doe Give to my Hon^rd: ffather Ephraim Carpenter, now inhabetant at long Jsland in the County of New-

Yorke all my landes both uplands & Meaddows to him his heirs, Exsecutors, Administrators & Assignes to have & to hold for Ever.

Jtem I doe Give to my loveing Aunt in law, Sarah Carpenter Widdow, Resident in Pautuxett, in the Towneshipp of Providence [**262**] Jn the Colloney of Rhode Jsland All my Weareing Apparill that is Ready made; And likewise my horse, sadle & Bridle & foure bushells of oates. /

And as for all the Rest of my Estate (after my ffunerall Expences, & other Expences ariseing by any other Meanes & my Exsecutors satisfied & payd for their Trouble & Charges) I doe give to to my honored ffather Ephraim Carpenter; aforesaid.

Jtem, I have appoynted & made my loving vnckle Benjamin Carpenter & my Cousin Simon Smith both of the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence to be the Exsecutors of this my last Will & Testam^{t}: to receive in & demand all debts due to me & to pay all my debts due to any person; And in Wittnes of this my last Will & Testament I have hereunto sett my hand & seale Even this Twentyeth day of ffebruarey in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred & Ninty Seven or Ninty Eight

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced & declared by the said Ephraim Carpenter as his last will & Testament, [ ] the presence of us

The mark X of Ephraim Carpenter [ ]

Elisha Arnold
Robert Davis
[ ]ehemiah Sheldon
Andrew Harris /

Through a mistake this will is twice Recorded

[ ] Davis, Nehemiah Sheldon and [ ] Harris, this day appeared before the Towne Councill of Providence, it being ye 15th day of March 169⅞ and did all of them as wittnesses upon their oath attest to the sd will which is above written. /

The 15th day of March 169⅞ Benjami[ ] Carpenter & Simon Smith in the presen[ ] of the Towne Councill of Providence upon Oath declared the abovesd to be the last will & testament of the sd Ephraim Carpenter, so farr as they kno|w| And that he so signed & sealed it whilst he was in sound & perfect morey they being Exsecutors to ye sd will

[263] The 20th: day of ffebruarey in the yeare of our Lord 169⅞ I Ephraim Carpenter of Pautuxett in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations being very sick & weake of body but of perfect mind & memory, Thankes be to God therefore) Calling unto mind the mortality of my body & knowing it is appoynted for all men once to dye doe make & Ordaine this my last will & Testament (to witt) Principally & first of all I give & Recomend my soul into the hands of God that gave it & my body to the Earth to be buryed in Christian like & descent manner at the discression of my Exsecutors. As Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I Give & despose in manner | as | followeth,

Jmprimis I Doe Give to my honnored ffather Ephraim Carpenter now inhabitant at long Jsland in the County of New Yorke all my lands both uplands & Meaddowes to him his heirs Exsecutors Administrators & Assignes to have & to hold for Ever

Jtem I doe Give to my loveing Aunt in law Sarah Car-

penter widdow Resident in the Pautuxett in the Towneshipp of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland All my weareing apparrill that is Ready made and likewise my horse, Saddle, & bridle, & foure bushells of Oates. And as for all the rest of my Estate (After my ffunerall Expence & other Expences ariseing by any other meanes & my Exsecutors Satisfied and payd for their trouble & Charges) I doe give to my honnored ffather Ephraim Carpenter aforesd. /

Jtem I have appoynted & Made my loving Benjamin Carpenter & my Cousin Simon Smith both of the Colloney of Rhode Jsland aforesd to be the Exsecutors of this my last will & Testament. to Receive in and demand all debts due to me, & to pay all my debts due to any perso[ ] And in wittnes of this my last will & Testament I have hereunto set my hand & seale even this twentyeth day of ffeburarey in the yea[ ] of our Lord one thousand Six hundred & ninty seven or Ninty Eight

Signed Sealed published Pronounced & declared by the sd Ephraim Carpenter as his last will & Testament in the presence of us

Elisha Arnold
Robert Davis
Nehemiah Sheldon
Andrew Harris

The marke X of Ephraim Carpenter

Robert Davis Nehemiah Sheldon & Andrew Harris This day appeared before the Towne Councill of [**264**] of Providence it being the 15th day of March 169$\frac{7}{8}$ & did all of them as wittnesses upon their Oath attest to the sd will which is above written.

The 15th day of March 169$\frac{7}{8}$: Benjamin Carpenter & Simon

Smith in the presence of y^e^ Towne Councill upon Oath declared the abovesd to be the last Will & testament of the said Ephraim Carpenter so farr as they know; And that he so signed & sealed it whilst he was in his sound & perfect memorey, They being Exsecutors to y^e^ sd will. /

An Jnventarey of the Estate of Ephraim Carpenter of Pautuxett in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland, who departed this life on the 22 of ffebruarey 169$\frac{7}{8}$:

	lb s d
To money	10–13–06
To weareing Apparrill	03–00–00
To y^e^ Horse, Saddle, Bridle & 4 bushell of oates	02–18–00
To 3 silke hoodes	00–18–00
To 5 hatts	01–00–00
To 17 yardes of Crape	01–01–03
To $\frac{1}{2}$ a Ell of silke & 3 y^d^ $\frac{1}{2}$ of fine Kentin & 4 y^d^: of Course	01–00–09
To $\frac{1}{3}$ of y^d^: of Mock Damask & 2 y^d^ & $\frac{1}{2}$ of Ticking	00–08–00
To 3 ounces of stitching silke 6^s^ & 8 ounces & $\frac{1}{2}$ other silke 10^s^	00–16–00
To 3 paire of small Gloves 3^s^ & 3500 pins 4^s^ 8^d^	00–07–08
To 2 silk laces, & 3 quarter of 1000 pinnes	00–01–08
To 10 Girdles	00–10–00
To 19 y^rds^ of Worsted Ribbond	00–02–04
To blue ferretting 1^s^ & 9 y^d^: of fereting 4^s^ y^d^	00–04–00
To 8 y^d^ Goloom 4^d^ per y^d^	00–02–08
To 12 y^d^ of Woolen Manchester	00–01–06
To 4 white Girdle Ribbons	00–01–04
To a lock 1^s^ & Pewter shoo buckles	00–04–08
To 4 pair of Jron Buckles 2^s^–3^d^: 10 pair of steele | buckles | 5^s^	00–07–03

To needles & Thimbles	00–01–09
To knives, & Graters, & Dufftailes	00–04–09
To 2 Chest locks	00–02–06
To 8 Combs	00–01–00
To Nuttmegs	00–03–00
To a Tobaco Box	00–00–09
To Mace & Cynnamon	00–01–03
To Bookes & Port Manle	00–07–06
To Odd Buttons	00–02–06
To one old Razor & penknife & Glass	00–01–06
To Tape	00–01–08
To Thread	00–00–06
To a yard & Rule	00–03–00
To money Scales & weightes	00–04–06
To 2 pair of small scales & weights & Gimblet	00–08–00
To wyar & Powder	00–05–06
[265]	lb s d
To a chest & a small Trunke	00–07–00
To silver buckles	00–07–00
To Ginger & the Bagg y^{t} it is in	00–01–06
To 2 Bottles	00–00–08
To 313 pounds of Tobac at 3^{d} ℔ ^{lb}	03–18–03
To 3 ffurr skins	00–05–00
To a Gally pot with Methredate in it	00–01–00
To a Bagg 2^{s} 6^{d}: Cotten wooll 3^{s} 6^{d}	00–06–00

A true Jnventarey taken to the best of our understanding the 26th day of ffebruarey by us Anno: 169$\frac{7}{8}$:

Sarah Arnold (widdow)
dwelling at Pautuxett

Robert Davis
Andrew Harris

in Providence with whome the sd deceased Ephraim Carpenter did in his life Reside, & in whose house he dyed; Did the 15th day of March 169⅞ appeare before the Councill of the Towne of Providence & upon her Oath declare, yt shee had brought forth unto Robert Davis & Andrew Harris, (Who tooke & made the abovesd Jnventarey) all & Every part of the Estate of ye sd deceased Ephraim Carpenter, which was in her house that shee knoweth of.

The 15th day of March 169⅞ Robert Davis & Andrew Harris appeared before the Towne Councill of Providence & upon their Oath Attested to ye aforesd Jnventarey

The 15th day of March 169⅞ Benjamin Carpenter & Simo[ ] Smith appeared before the Towne Councill of Providen[ ] & upon their Oath did declare that they had broug[ ] in all the Whole Estate of the deceased Ephraim Carpenter unto ye aforesd Jnventarey, which they know of, & if More at any time Come to their knowledg they will bring it forth to Jnventarey. /

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* The Jnventarey of the Estate of Epenetus Olney of Providence who dyed the 3d day of june 1698: Taken & made 1698: as ffollo[ ]eth:

		lb s d
Jmprimis,	Jn the dwelling house. /	
	weareing Apparrill	08–05–00
Jt	A new saddle Cloath	00–03–00
Jt	A Remnant of homemade Cloath	00–12–00
Jt	5 yardes of Course Blanketing	00–10–00
Jt	ffoure Coverlidds	05–12–00
Jt	Three paire of blanketts	04–10–00
Jt	One paire of Old Blanketts	00–15–00

Jt	A Remnant of Coverlid stuff	00–01–00
Jt	A Remnant of Woollen Cloath	02–10–00
Jt	A Remnant of Woollen Cloath	02–00–00
Jt	A Bedd, 2 bolsters, a sett of Curtaines & vallians all old & much worne	03–00–00
Jt	One Bedd studd	00–10–00
[266]		lb s d
Jt	One blankett Old	00–07–00
Jt	Paire of Old Sheetes	00–10–00
Jt	Six Chaires	00–12–00
Jt	A Silke Grass bed & a small ffether bolster, a pillow all very Old & Exeeding much worne	00–16–00
Jt	One paire of blanketts	00–15–00
Jt	One paire of sheetes	00–10–00 *

what is afore written of Epenetus Olney his Jnventarey, the which is Crossed out, is not Right, & therefore Crossed out, & the whole Jnventarey Recorded in another place of ye booke; The which was found not to be right & Crossed out by me

Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill

Heare followeth the account given by Roger Burllingame jun^r^: & Richard Searle, both of Mashantatut in Providence as to ye devision which the made of landes betweene the two daughters of ye deceased Tho: Relfe of sd Mashantatut;

These are to signifie to all people whome it may concerne, That whereas the Towne Councill of Providence hath appoynted Roger Burllinggame jun^r^ a Guardian to the deceased Thomas Relph his two Daughters (as namely) Alice Searle & Elinor Relph; And for as much as there is a Considerable

* * Between these marks the original is crossed out by lines drawn through it.

Estate in lands left by ye abovesd Thomas Relph the which belongeth Equally to his abovesd two daughters; Roger Burllinggame junior ye aforesd Guardian, & Richard Searle, (husband of ye abovesd Alice Searle) with ye Consent, & on ye behalfe of ye sd two Daughters have made a devision of ye sd lands so left by ye sd deceased Thomas Relph betweene his sd two Daughters Alice Searle & Elienor Relph in manner as followeth; Jn ye first Place, The Eldest daughter Alice Searle her Part of ye abovesd lands is fifty acres of land that her husband ye sd Richard Searle his house now Stands upon, & two shares of meaddow adjoyneing to sd fifty acres lieing on Each side of Mashantetut brooke, & a Piece of Boggy meadow & lowland lieing within samuell Relph his fence adjoyneing to ye Pine swampe; & a share of Meaddow there being two shares adjoyneing on Pautuxett River on ye West side of Mashantetut Brooke in ye meaddow neare to ye dwelling houes of Andrew Barton, with ye Privelidge of Choyce to take which of those two shares shee Pleaseth; And Thirty acres of land in ye vndevided land of Mashantetut. / And Elinor Relph her part of sd lands is as followeth; Jn ye first place her ffather his house Lott it being twelve acres & a halfe, & Twenty & foure Acres | & a halfe | of land lieing on ye East Side of a Pine Swampe by Samuell Relphs, with a Piece of Boggy Meaddow adjoyneing to sd land; And Twenty & five acres of land lieing in Pacanacit neare to John Hawes his now dwelling; & all ye Orchard on ye North east side of ye highway neare to the aforesd house Lott, it being two acres & a halfe; And in Case Elinor Relph makes vse of sd Orchard, or any by her Order, they are to Maintaine a sufficient fence Round sd Orchard; & fifty acres of land in Pompeasit, & Tenn acres of land in y^e

vndevided land of Mashantetut, & a share of Meaddow lieing in Pantaconksit Meaddow joyneing on Pautuxett River; & a share of Meaddow lieing neare to ye house of Benjamin Greene adjoyneing on Pautuxet River above ye ware, & a share of meaddow lieing in Mashantetut meaddow; bounded on ye west Side on a share of Benjamin Greens, & on ye East Side with a share that was John Warners, & a share of Meaddow lieing Neare to the now dwelling house of Andrew Barton on ye west side of Mashantetut brooke joyneing on Pautuxet River; And all ye lands that lieth still undevided in ye Purchase of Mashantetut that belonged to ye abovesd deceased Thomas Relph is still to be Equall in quantety to be devided betweene ye sd Alice Searlee, & ye sd Elinor Relph; And wee ye subscribers on ye behalfe of ye aforesd two daughters of ye aforesd deceased Tho: Relph have hereunto set our hands & seales this fourth day of june Annoq^e Domini one Thousand Seven hundred & Eight;

Signed & Sealed in ye presence of us } Roger Burllinggame jun^r
Richard Searle

Tho: Olney sen^r
Samuell whipple } Recorded june ye 8th 1708: Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[**267**] Thomas Walling who was Administrator To the Esstate of his deceased Brother John Walling of this Towne of Prouidence who departed this Life y^e: 11: of Nouember: 1694:

Brought an Accout of his Administration before A Towne Councill Held att Prouidence the 7th day of January: 1717/8 and after Accounts were made vp there Remained The sum of nine pounds Eight shillings, and ten pence to be disposed of } lb s d 09–08–10

And the said Administrator by his Account made it Appeare that he had paid vnto his Brother James Walling as a Legacy out of s^d Esstate the sum of 13–16–00

Wherevpon Jt was voated and ordered by the Councill that the said Thomas Walling Administrator should Keepe the s^d Sum of nine pounds Eight shillings and ten pence for his parte of s^d Esstate and so to be Acquitted } lb s d 09–08–10

Recorded ꝑ^r Richard Waterman Clerke

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[**269**] Here followeth the Record of the last will & Testament of valentine wightman of Providenc[ ]

I valentine Wightman of Providence in ye Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations being Antient & Crasey of body but of sound & perfect Memorey, thank|es| be to God, & Considering I am Aged & kno[ ] not how soone it may please God to take me out of this life; I am willing to doe something for ye settling of that small Estate I have to despose of, And therefore doe make & Appoynt this my last will & Testament, ffirst my desire is, that after my death my body may be decently buried at the descression of my Executrix hereafter named; And for the disposeing of my Estate, my will is as followath; Jtem I Give to my Eight Daughters fforty shillings a peece; That is to say, Mary forty shillings, Elizabeth fforty shillings, Susanna forty shillings, Deborah forty shillings, Alice forty shillings, Hannah forty shillings, Esther fforty shillings, & Grace forty shillings. Jtem, I give to my son Valentine Wightman fforty shillings, Jtem, I Give to my Daughter Elizabeth sixt[ ] acres of land, be

it more, or less, lieing betweene Samuell Wilkesons, & the land formerly | belonging | to David Whipple, now in the possession of David Shippie, The said Sixty acres of land I Give to my sd Daughter Elizabeth, to her, her heirs or Assign[ ] for Ever; And this sd sixty acees I give to my said Daughter, in Consideration that shee is weakely of body, & may no[ ] be capable to provide for her selfe, as other of my daughters; Jtem, I Give to my abovesaid son Valentine After his mothers decease, All my farme on which I now live, with all the rest of my lands on the East Side ye Seven mile line, the abovesaid Sixty acres only Excepted, the sd ffarme & lands to be to my said son Valentin[ ] duering his life, And after his death to his male heir of his body to him, his heirs or Assignes for Ever, But in case my sd son Valentine die & leave no male Jssue of his body; then one ninth part of the said Estate of lands shall be unto my said son Valentine his ffemale heirs, or heire of his body, to them theirs heirs or Assig[ ] for Ever.

[**270**] And the other Eight parts of the said Estate of lands shall be unto my Eight daughters above Named to them or their heirs and Assignes for Ever.

Jtem I Give all my Right in lands on the west side the seven mile line to my three Grand Sons, That is John & Mary Jnmans Eldest Son, & James & Susanna Bellue their Eldest Son, & Joseph & Deborah Smith their Eldest son, to be Equally devided to them my three Grandsons to them their heirs or Assignes for Ever.

Jtem I make Mary my Wife my full & sole Eecutrix of this my last Will & Give her all the Proffits of my abovesd ffarme my Goods Chattells & Cattle duering her Naturall life, & at her death to dispose of all my mooveable Estate at her des-

cression amongst my & her Children, desireing her my said Wife in all love to Consider in speciall such of our Children as stay longest with her & helpe her in her Age, Alwayes provided my said wife shall pay the abovesd forty shillings appeece to my Nine Children forthwith after Administration. And lastly, I doe nominate & Appoynt my son Valentine Wightman, my son in law James Bellue, & my ffriend Richard Arnold to be my overseers of this my last will & Testament; Desireing them to be Aideing, & Assisting to my wife in Executeing this my Will, Jn Witnes hereof I have set my hand & seale,

Januarey y^e 13th: 1700 his mark X

1701 Valentine Wightman

Signed & Sealed in the presence of us Samuell Wilkenson
Thomas Arnold jun^r:
Richard Arnold;

The j1^th day of March 170$\frac{0}{1}$ the above written will hath been fully Examined, & is allowed of & approooved by the Towne Councill of Providence, As attests Tho: Olney

Clerk of y^e Councill. /

[**271**] Here followeth a Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of the deceased Valentine Wightman.

An Jnventarey of the Estate of Valen|tine| Wightman of Providence who deceased Januarey ye 26th: 1700.

	1701.	lb	s	d
Jmprimis, in the lower Roome or hall.				
His weareing Apparill		04	02	00
Jt One bed & Bedding		04	15	00

Jt	Eight Pewter Platters	01–01–00
Jt	Three Basons three porringers & two quart potts	00–15–00
Jt	one dosen & halfe of spoones	00–06–
Jt	Glass Bottells & wooden dishes	00–06–00
Jt	Napkins & Pillow bers & other Small linnen	01–04–00
Jt	Woollen & linnen yarne	01–10–00
Jt	Jron pots & Kettles & frying pan spit & Tram-mills & one Grid Jron	02–05–06
Jt	one small Table, an old Chest & some old Chairs	00–05
	Jn the Leaneto	
Jt	ffour brass Kettles, 4 Scellets & one warmeing Pan	05–05–00
Jt	Tubbs & Keellers, & Pailes	00–10–00
Jt	Trayes Cheese fatts & other lumber	00–10–00
	Jn the Chamber	
	One Bedd & Beding	07–10–00
Jt	More, one Bedd	02–10–00
Jt	More, one Bed & Bed Studd	03–00–00
Jt	more, homespunn Cloath	05–19–06
Jt	Eight paire of Sheetes	03–02–00
Jt	Kash in New England Coyne	38–06–00
Jt	Kash in Spannish Money	42–08–00
Jt	one Testament, part of an bible & an other small booke	00–03–00
Jt	wheat	01–04–00
Jt	Rie	00–12–00
Jt	Beanes	00–09–00
Jt	Jndian Corne in the Cribbs	03–10–00
Jt	Bief & Pork	04–00–00

Jt	Butter & Cheese	02–05–00
Jt	Sidar & Barrills	01–00–00
Jt	Hoggs fatt & Tobacco	01–10–00
Jt	Hay in the barne	07–10–00
Jt	wheat Rye & oates in ye barne	02–02–00
Jt	hay in Stack abroad	01–10–00
Jt	An Old Horse, horse tackling, Chaines & an Jron Crow	02–10–00
[**272**] Jt	hoopes, & old Boxes, & other old Jrons	01–03–00
Jt	Old Axes, two Cow bells, & other old Jron	00–10–00
Jt	Eigh Cowes & five young Neat Cattle	24–07–00
Jt	ffifteene sheepe	03–10–00
Jt	Three young swine	01–10–00

The abovewritten Jnventarey is a true & just Appriseall, according to the best of our understanding of all the Estate of the abovesaid Valentine Wightman that was brought to our vew, As Attests

Samuell Wilkenson
Eliezer Whipple

ffebruarey y^{e} 15th
1700
1701

Mary Wightman, widdow, & late wife of Valentine Wightman, deceased, did on the 5th day of this instant March 170$\frac{1}{0}$, give her ingagement that this within account, is a true Jnventarey of y^{e} Estate of her deceased husband to the best of her knowledg; before me

Joseph Jenckes Justice,

Samuell Wilkenson & Eliezer Whipple both personally appeared before the Towne Councill the 11th: day of March 170$\frac{0}{1}$ & as apprisers of the Jnventarey in this paper, And before the Councill upon Oath gave Attestation to the sd Jnventarey

The Jnventarey in this sheete of paper Contained, hath, the 11th day of march 170$\frac{0}{1}$ by the Towne Councill of Providence been Examined, & Accepted,

As Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill

The letter of Administration to Mary Whittman, as followeth,

Whereas by the last Will & Testament of Valentine Whitman beareing date Januarey ye 13th 170$\frac{0}{1}$ Mary Whittman his wife was made Executrix, he the Said Valentine Whittman being an inhabitant of the Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England, And his said Executrix mary whittman (now widdow) haveing given [**273**] bond to the Towne Councill of the sd Towne of Providence well & truely to Execute & performe the sd Will. / Wee the Towne Councill of Providenc|e| doe by these presents (so far forth as the law doth impowre us) Grant unto you the said Mary Whittman (widdow) Executrix as aforesaid, full power to Administer on the Estate of her husband, deceased, & the said will truely to Execute & performe according to the Tenure thereof, & the true intent & meaneing of the same;

Dated may ye 2nd 1701

By order & on ye behalfe of the Councill,

Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill

Whereas John Mathuson of Pautuxett, in ye Towneshipp of Providence, in ye Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narragansett Bay in New England, Departed this life at Pautuxett aforesd; & dieing intested; leaveing some small matter of Estate, Benjamin Carpenter of sd Pautuxett haveing also accepeted to be Administerator to ye sd Estate, & thereon to Administer, Order & dispose according as ye law

requires; Wee the now Towne Councill of sd | Towne of | Providence, Doe, so farr forth as ye law impowereth us, Comit the power of Administeration fully upon ye Estate of ye sd John Mathuson (deceased) unto ye sd Benjamin Carpenter, for him thereon to Administer, And therein to act, performe, & doe with ye sd Estate, according as ye law in such Cases doth require; And from time, to time, to give up an account of his proceedeings therein, to sd Towne Councill, or to those who them succeed, when called thereunto, or when he hath desposed ye sd Estate, though not Called on to doe it; The sd Benjamin Carpenter haveing already given bond to ye Councill for the true performance of ye trust to him Comited as to ye sd Administration. /

Dated ye six^th day of December 1701 After bond taken

By Order, & on ye behalfe of ye Towne Councill of Providence,
Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill;

Recorded p Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill. /

[274] Here followeth the Record of an Agreement made betweene Joseph Aldridge of the Towne of Providence & his son Joseph Aldridge as to the disposition of his Estate

Be it knowne to all persons whome this may Conserne, That I Joseph Aldridge in ye Towneshipp of Providence doe by good Consideration make this Agreement with my Eldest son Joseph Aldridge as followeth; That so long as my wife & I shall live together, my said son shall Maintaine us three Cowes for our vse, And also Plough an acre of land, if wee see Cause duering our Naturall lives, but if it please God to part Either of us by death then the Surviveing party shall posess the same if neede require, And if the Sur-

viveing party doe see cause to live with my said Son Joseph he is by these presents bound to maintaine Either my wife or myselfe in such sutable manner as our Condition shall Require according to the best of his Abillitye, & our degree; Jn Consideration of which, I doe by these presents, make over to my sd Son Joseph my house lot & orchard Containeing about Twenty acres, which I freely pass away from myselfe to him & his heirs for Ever upon the due performance of this agreement, thus to be vnder that so long as wee his ffather & Mother doe live together the halfe of the orchard shall be at our disposeing for our vse & maintainance & otherwaies it is to himselfe; ffurther the moveables after the decease of Either my Wife or selfe, both being deceased all shall remaine to my son Joseph, Except the Bedd & Bedding whereon wee lye, and a warmeing pann, a ffrying pann, & a small Cast skillett; And for the due performance of this agreement, I Joseph Aldridge jun^{r}: doe bind myselfe, my heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assignes upon ye pennalty of ye loss of the abovesaid lands, Jn wittnes wee have here unto interchangeably set to our hands | & seales |, wee doe likewise make Choyce of our loving & trusty friends & Neighbours John Haukings & Peter Place to be ye overseers for the performance hereof the 26 of june one thousand Seven hundred & one

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of us: The X of Joseph Aldridge

Samuell Bartlett The X of Joseph Aldridge jun^{r}:
Samuell Winsor

Samuell Bartlett the 14th day of October 1701 came before

the Towne Councill of Providence & on his Engagement gave attestation unto the abovesaid Jnstrument as a witnes.

on the back side it is Endorsed as followeth

The 14th day of october 1701 Samuell Winsor Came before the Towne Councill of Providence & on his Engagement gave attestation as a witnes to the instrument on the other side of this paper written, As Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill

[**275**] The Record of ye Jnventarey of the Estate of the deceased Joseph Aldridge, as followeth;

An Jnventarey taken of ye Estate of Joseph Aldridge deceased. /

Jmprimis,	Three Cowes	08–05–00
Jt	A yeare & vantage heifer	01–02–00
Jt	A Calfe	00–10–00
Jt	three Swine	01–10–00
Jt	A Brass Kittle 2 Jron Kittles & an Jron pott	02–05–06
Jt	Old Jron with workeing tooles	00–06–00
Jt	A warmeing pann & frying pann	00–13–00
Jt	A Round Adds & shave	00–02–06
Jt	2 Peuter dishes Brass & spoones	00–13–00
Jt	wooden dishes	00–05–00
Jt	yarne & Spinning wheele	01–00–00
Jt	A Cherne, an Axe, nebbs & Ring	00–07–00
Jt	Chizills & Round Shave	00–01–06
Jt	Cardes & wooll	00–06–06
Jt	A ffirkin of Butter	01–03–00
Jt	A Sword, a quart pot, a Porringer	00–10–00
Jt	ffor old things appraized together	00–06–00

Jt	A Glass | & | Smootheing Jron, Gimblett	00–01–03
Jt	A Tubb & a hoe	00–03–00
Jt	A Table & Chaire	00–06–00
Jt	To a Tubb, a Joynter & other lumber	00–03–00
Jt	A Trammill	00–02–00
Jt		18–03–09

This Jnventarey was taken the 20th of Agust 1701, by Edward Hawkings, & Benjamin Thornton, and Samuell Winsor;

The X of Edward Hawkins
The X of Benjamin Thornton. /

September ye 16th 1701: Samuell Winsor and Edward Hawkings appeared before the Town Councill of Providence & gave Attestation upon their Engagement to ye abovesd Jnventarey.

The 14th day of October 1701 Benjamin Thornton Appeared before the Towne Council of Providence & Gave Attestation to the Jnventarey of ye deceased Joseph Aldridge. /

Recorded ℘ Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill

[276] Here followeth the Record of the last will & |Testament | of Joseph Aldridge of the Towne of Providence who died Aprill ye 24: 1705: Know all Cristal People by these presents, That I Joseph Aldridge inhabetant of the Towne of Providence | & | in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantation in America being very sick & weake in bedd but of perfect Mind & Memory, thankes be given to God therefore, Calling to mind the Mortallitye of my body, & knowing it is appoynted for all men once to dye, doe make & ordaine this my last will & Testament; That is to say, first of all I Give & bequeath to Mary my deare beloved wife the vse of all my lands & Moveables now in my present Possession; & after the decease of my loveing Mother Patience Aldridge, all

the land that I had of my ffather to be in her presant together, with all My household goods debts & moveable Effects duiring her naturall life; Provided shee pay all debts & as perticularly one debt to Nathaniell Waterman, which is to be paid at fall of the yeare next after ye date hereof; And Secondly I give to My welbeloved son Joseph Alridge, whome I likewise Constitute, make & ordaine my sole Executor of this My last Will & Testament all & singular my lands that was my ffathers after the decease of my loveing Wife & Mother, & Tenn acres of the other ffarme of the North Side of that I now dwell on, all to be Wood & Timbred land, to him his heirs, Executors, & Administrators & Assignes freely & Clearely & absolutely forever & ever; And thirdly, I give to my youngest Son Elias Aldridge my homested place to him his heirs Executors, Administrators & Assignes forever & ever; And fourthly I order it thus, that these two sons Joseph & Elias Shall pay or Cause to be payed to my welbeloved daughter Sarah Aldridge Six pound when they shall Come to injoy their aforesd lands; And I doe hereby vtterly disalow, Revoke & disanull all & every other former Testament, Wills, Legacyes, bequests, & Executors by me in any wayes before Named, Willed & bequeathed; Rattifieing & Confirmeing this & no other to be My last Will & testament; Jn Wittnes hereof I have set my hand & Seale this first day of May 1704. /

Signed, Sealed, published Pronounced
declared by the sd Joseph Aldridge The mark of
as his last will & Testament Joseph X Aldridge
the presence of us the Subscribers,

Edward Hawkins jun^r
David Evens,
Samuell Steere. /

The abovesd Will was upon the 13th day of July 1705; by the Towne Councill of the abovesd Towne of Providence at theire Councill Meeteing held by adjornment Examined & Approved in order as the Record of sd Meeteing doth Signifie,

Attests Tho: Olney, Towne Clerk, & Clerk of the Councill; /

Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of the deceased Joseph Aldridge who died the 24th of Aprill 1705. /

		lb s d
	Three Cowes	06–15–00
Jt	Two heifers	03–15–00
Jt	one yeareling	00–07–00
Jt	Sixteene Sheepe & Tenn lambs	04–10–00
Jt	one paire of boxes	00–02–00
Jt	one bell & Collor	00–02–00
Jt	one Jron Kettle	00–12–00
Jt	one Tramill	00–05–00
Jt	one sithe	00–04–00
Jt	Three Axes	00–06–00
Jt	one ffrying Pann	00–02–06
Jt	Old Jron	00–03–00
Jt	one Paire of hookes	00–02–00
Jt	one Trewell	00–01–00
Jt	A Round Shave	00–02–00
Jt	A howell	00–01–06
Jt	A Spoke Shave	00–01–06
Jt	one Paire of Tailors Sheares	00–01–00
Jt	one Sive & Stock hooke	00–01–00
Jt	Twenty three pound of Sheepes Wooll	01–00–00

Jt	ffor all sorts of hids	00–09–00
Jt	A Swine	00–06–00
Jt	Window Glass	00–04–00
Jt	Porke	00–01–00
Jt	four Riddle Sives	00–05–00
Jt	one Paire of Plough Jrons	00–03–00
Jt	Six pound of ffeathers	00–04–00
Jt	ffor two hoes & a Ring, & Staple, & clevice & pinn, & a Brake,	00–06–00

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		Cedar lb s d
Jt	Cedar	00–02–00
Jt	one Swarme of Bees	00–04–00
Jt	Rie & Jndian Corne	00–03–06
Jt	fflax	00–02–00
Jt	Hempe	00–01–00
Jt	Hempe seede	00–01–06
Jt	ffoure Glass Bottles	00–01–04
Jt	A Pottage Pott	00–02–00
Jt	A Chest	00–02–00
Jt	ffoure Keelears	00–04–00
Jt	Powder & Shott	00–01–00
Jt	Bedd & Bedding	02–10–00
Jt	ffor a Gunn	01–10–00
		26–04–11

The above Written is a true & just aprisall of all the Estate that was brought to our vew, according to the best of our vnderstanding, as wittnes our hands this 26th of Aprill 1705

John Steere junr:

Edward Hawkings junr:

This 12th day of June 1705, John Steere junr: & Edward Hawkings junr: who made this Jnventarey Contained in this sheete of Paper both Personally appeared before the majestrates & Councill & made oath to the aforesd Jnventarey.

Here ffolloweth the Record of the letter of Administration by the Councill given to Samll: Aldridge to Administer on the Estate of his deceased Brother Joseph Aldridge—.

Whereas Joseph Aldridge of the Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations, in the Narragansett Bay in New England departed this life upon the 24th day of Aprill 1705, And the sd Joseph Aldridge haveing left a written will wherein he hath disposed of his Estate, & in sd Will hath nominated & appoynted an Executor, but the Executor so nominated, & appoynted, being a child & thereby Wholy vncapab|le| to Execute the sd Will according as the law Requires; And his Mother (the widdow of the sd deceased Joseph Aldridge) being also vncapable of Administration, by Reason of insanetye of mind; And there being a necessetye for Care to be taken of sd Estate; And Samuell Aldridge of sd Towne of Providence, Brother unto the said deceased Joseph Aldridge considering the desolate Estate of his Brothers widdow & Children they being altogether helpeless, hath manifested himselfe to be free & willing to take Administration on sd Estate & with the same to act & doe according to the best of his Capacitye & Abillitye as to a legall Administration thereon, as matters Concerning the sd Estate are Circumstanced; Therefore wee the Now Towne Councill of sd Providence (so farr forth as the law doth Comitt Power unto us) wee doe hereby Comitt unto you the aforesaid Sam-

uell Aldridge the full Power of Administration on the Estate of the aforesaid deceased Joseph Aldridge, both as to Moveable Estate & to the wardshipp of his lands; The same to take into your Care & Custodye, & therewith to act & doe in your Administration according as the law in such Cases Directs; And from time to time to Render an account of your Administration thereon unto the Towne Councill of sd Providence, or Ordinarey when of you Required.

Dated July~July ye 13th: 1705: By Order of the Councill, & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk of the Council

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[**280**] I Thomas Hopkins of Mashantatut in t[ ] Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England being at this time very sick & weake of body yet of perfect sen[ ] & memory & not knowing how soone my departure may be out of this world I am willing to set my house in Order, And therefore doe in the first place bequeath my soule to God who gave it, & my body after death to the Earth to be descently buryed. And as for that small matter of Worldly Estate which the Lord hath been pleased to bestow upon me I am willing to order & bequeath as ffolloweth; Jtem I doe will & bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Hopkins all my whole Estate, my house Lands, Goods Chattell whatsoever to be at her despose as firmely as Ever it was mine. And further more I doe Ordaine my well beloved wife Sarah Hopkins to be my whole & Sole Exsecutrix to Receive all my dues, & to

pay all my just debts; And in wittnes of this my last Will & Testament I have hereunto set my hand & seale this Twentieth day of October in the yeare of our Lord 1698.

The words above the two last lines, last will & Testament; was interlined before signeing and sealeing. /

Signed Sealed in presence of us Thomas Hopkins

Benjamin Greene
Joseph Stafford
Moises ffarman
Abell Potter

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ffoure head of Cattell	10–00–00
Eight head of Swine	06–12–00
An Horse	03–00–00
A mare	01–15–00
Three Bedds & their furniture	24–00–00
Pewter valued at	02–00–00
A Chest, a Box & a Table	00–14–00
Two Jron Potts & a Kittles, a brass Kittle a warming pann, a frying pan & a Skillett	02–16–00
All the Tooles valued at	04–00–00
A Trammill, a paire of Stilliards Barrill & Spinning wheeles	01–12–00
	56–09–00

This is a True Jnventarey of the mooveable Estate of Thomas Hopkins, deceased, according to the judgment of Roger Burlingham & Joseph Stafford This third day of December 1698.

Whereas you Sarah Hopkins of Mashantatuck in ye Towneshipp of Providence, in ye Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Provi-

dence Plantations in New England, widdow & Exsecutrix to the last Will of your deceased husband Thomas Hopkins, haveing Given Bond to ye Towne Councill of sd Providence for the true & legall performance & Executing his sd will & testament beareing date the twentieth day of October in the yeare 1698, by a Right & just Administration, Wee the Towne Councill of sd Providence haveing Examined the said Will, Doe now by these presents Comitt unto you full Power of Administration upon the Estate of your said deceased husband Thomas * Hopkins (so farr forth as the law impowereth us) on the same to Administer Execute doe & performe in a[ ] poynts duely & truely according as y^e^ law Requires an Exsecutrix to doe; And to Render an account of your Administration unto y^e^ Towne Councill when by them Required.

Dated ffebruarey the 25th: 169$\frac{8}{9}$ — By the Councill; Tho: Olney Clerk

[**281**] An Jnventarey | taken | of the Estate of Willia[ ] Ashley who deceased the 24th of Novemb[ ] 1694 by us whose names are under written.

Jtem weareing Apparrill at	03–06–00
Jn money	00–12–00
Bedding at	02–05–00
A Bible & Stockins & neckcloath	00–07–00
Yarne & other lumber	00–05–00
3 yards of linnen & wooll	00–07–06
A muskett & hammer at	00–13–00
one Kittle, 2 Chaires & other things	00–07–00
A Spade, an Axe & an old hoe	00–05–00

* The remaining part of this instrument is entered at the bottom of page 231 of the original book.

A Boytle & wedges at	00–05–00
Baggs & Salt & a Sive at	00–03–06
Chest & Glass bottle at	00–04–06
A Bedd at	01–10–00
A Trammill, ffryeing pan, Slice at	00–10–00
2 potts of Jron at	00–07–00
Pewter & morter at	00–06–00
30 pounds of Biefe at	00–03–09
Jndian Corne at	00–08–00
The totall	12–04–03

This is a True Jnventarey of the Estate of y^e^ abovesd William Ashley of what Appeared unto us Jonathan Sprague
Moises Bartla

On y^e^ back side Endorsed as followeth, Sarah Ashley hath this 15th of Januarey 169$\frac{4}{5}$ upon her Engagem^t^: Attested to the Trueth of y^e^ Jnventarey on y^e^ other Side of this paper Contained, So also hath Jonathan Sprague & Moises Bartlett who tooke the sd Jnventarey. /

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APPENDIX

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The will of Robert Gardiner and the papers relating thereto do not appear to have been recorded, although the letter of administration granted by the Town Council and the bond of the executor have long been on file in the Clerk's office of the Municipal Court, which Court exercises probate jurisdiction. On January 5, 1894, this will was deposited with the Clerk of the Court by Walter G. Webster, Esq., of this city. The papers are here printed to complete as near as possible the probate proceedings of the town included in this first will book.

I Robert Gardiner of the towne of Providence in the County of Rhode Jsland Kings Province & Providence plantations in New England being very sick & weake of body but yet of sound & perfect memory doe make & appoynt this to be my last will & Teastement.

Jmprimis; I doe Give & devise unto my Brother Joseph Gardiner All that my house & lands lieing within the presincks of the towne of Newport on Rhoade Jsland to be his owne duering the time of his Naturall life; & after his decease to Revert & be unto his Eldest son lawfully begotten of his body which shall him survive; & for want of sons to the Eldest daughter lawfully begotten of his body, & so after death still to Revert & be unto ye heire lawfully begotten of theire body; But in Case my sayd Brother Joseph Gardiner doe dye & leave neither son Nor daughter then shall my said house & lands

Revert & be unto ye next lawfull heire; Alwayes provided that in case my sayd Brother Joseph doe dye & leave a widdow that his widdow shall have ye vse & proffitts of ye sayd house & lands dureing the time of her widdowhood; And that my sayd Brother Josep[ ] Gardiner shall Enter possession of ye sayd house & lands five year[ ] after ye day of | my death | , & not before, : And that my sayd Brother Joseph Gardiner shall pay unto my Brother Perrigrin Gardiner the sum of thirteene pounds which my ffather in his will ordred me to pay unto him And that my said Brother Joseph Gardiner shall in Consideration of ye aforesd bequest Remitt & forgoe unto my Exsecutor the thirteene pounds which I was by my fathers will unto him to pay.

2^ndly I doe Give & devise unto my Brother Perirgrinn Gardiner all my lands lieing & being in ye Presinckes of Providence aforesaid; provided that my said Brother Perrigrinn doe Relinquish & quitt claime unto his Brother his six acres of land in ye farme at Newport which his ffather willed unto him; his Brother, is intended his brother Joseph Gardiner, All which my said lands in Providence is Given & devised in manner as my sayd lands at Rhode Jsland is.

3dly I doe Give & devise unto my sayd Brethren Joseph Gardiner, & Perrigrinn Gardiner All my Right & Tittle of lands at Nanhiganssett to be Equally devided betweene them, & to be unto them theire hei[ ]xsecutors Administrators & Assig[ ] for Ever.

4^thly I doe Give & bequeath unto my ffather in law William Haukins all the vse & proffitts of my sayd house & lands at Newport on Rhode Jsland to him his heirs Exsecutors Administrators & Assignes dureing the terme of five yeares from y^e

day of | my death | ; I doe also give & bequeath unto my sayd ffather in law William Haukins all my Cattle of all sorts & all other my Estate Not before desposed of.

5thly I doe make Ordaine & appoynt my sayd ffather in law William Haukins my whole & sole Exsecutor unto whome I give all debts unto me due, And also he to pay all debts from me due to any person And also to see my Body descently Buryed.

Jn Wittnes of ye premises I doe hereunto sett my hand & seale the seventh day of Aprill Anno Domni; one Thousand six hundred Eighty & Nine.

Signed & Sealed
in ye presence of
Thomas Olney
Samuel Whipple
Joseph Smith

The marke of
Robert
Gardiner X [L S]

The aforesaid will is Examined & approooved this 28th day of Aprill Anno 1690: by ye Towne Councill of Providence

Arthur ffenner Justice
Joseph Jenckes Asis:tn:
Stephen Arnold
Pardon Tillinghast
Thomas Olney
Edward Smith
John Whipple
John Dexter

Be it knowne unt all people by these presents That I William Haukins junr: of the Towne of Providence | in New England | Doe owne and acknowledg my selfe to stand truely & lawfully indebted unto ye Towne Councill of Providence

Responsable to their Majestyes in ye full & just sum of thirty pounds sterling payable upon demands, to ye Due peforemance whereof I Doe bind my selfe, my Heirs Exsecutors & Administrators. by these presents.

The Conditions of this Obligation is such; That if I the abovebounden William Haukins Doe as Exsecutor truely & lawfully Execute & performe the last will & Testament of the Deceased Robert Gardiner formerly | of | said Providence, beareing date ye 17th: day of Aprill Anno: Domini 1689. which if I so doe then shall this Bond be voyd, & of none Effect, but if otherwise it shall still stand in full force & vertue, wittnes my hand | & seale | the twenty & Eight day of Aprill Anno; 1690

Signed & Sealed before us. William hawkings [L S]

Arthur ffenner Justice

Joseph Jenckes Asis^{tn}:

Whereas there is a will beareing date the 17th day of Aprill Anno: Domini 1689. presented by William Haukins jun^{r}: to the Councill for probation, Jt being the last will & Testament of Robert Gardiner of the Towne of Providence deceased, wherein the said William Haukins is by ye said | Robert Gardinir | made sole Exsecutor unto ye said Robert Gardiner, the said William Haukins desireing Administration upon ye Estate of ye said Robert Gardiner as he is Exsecutor. Wee the Towne Councill of Providence haveing Examined & Aprooved ye sd will this Day, Doe according to the power in such Cases to us Comitted, Grant full power unto ye said William Haukins Exsecutor, to Administer upon ye Estate of ye said Robert Gardiner (Deceased) And to Execute & performe ye said will according to ye true meaneing & intent thereof.

Dated Aprill ye 28th, Anno: 1690:

Arthur ffenner Justice
Joseph Jenckes Asis^tn^:
Stephen Arnold
Pardon Tillinghast
Thomas Olney
Edward Smith
John Whipple:
John Dexter

The will of William Field is copied from the paper now among the manuscript collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society in the volume entitled Field Papers, at page 7. It has commonly been considered to be the original will, notwithstanding the words "A True Copie," etc. It may be stated that the seal on the paper is an impression on wax and is carefully reproduced in the copy here given.

Lett all men know before whome these p^r^sentes shall come; That I William ffield of providence in Roade Jland and providence Collonie, or plantations in in New-England; being weake in Bodye, but perfect in my Memorie; and not knoweing how the wise God may disposse of me Either to life or death And willing to Sett all my Earthly, & worldly Estate in order that there may be no distraction therein when I am departed this world; I doe ordaine this as my last will & Testament; Jtem, I doe give unto my deare & loving Cousen Thomas ffield now at providence with me all that Cargo that is now upon Sending to the Barbados, as also all my horse kind that I have, Saving those which I Shall hereafter Expresse; Also I doe Give & bequeath unto my Said Cousen Thomas ffield foure Heiffers which at presant are at Neotaconconitt at Henry ffowlars; Also I doe Give unto my forsaid Couson that Right of my Land which I have at Aquidnessitt, as also my Right in that land which

belongeth to me above pauchassett River, which is now in Controvercy with Some men of warwick, I meane that above pauchassett, as I chalenge in the Right of pautuxett; Also I give unto my said Cousen those my ffurres which I have in my howse at this presant. Jtem I give & bequeath unto my Servant John Warner, one young Maare, being that mare which goeth at warwick, or that lately there went. Jtem I doe bequeath unto my deare & loveing wife Two mares and one Coalt, the one mare is the old mare which I bought of Robert Martin, with that Colt of the Said mare, which is the Coalt Expressed. The other mare, is that mare which I bought of Abiah Carpenter; Also I doe give unto my Said wife all the rest of my Cattell which I have not before Expressed, of what kind soever they be both Small and great, to be her owne proper Goodes; As also I doe give unto her all the rest of my Goodes: and moveables: as well that which is as Yett coming to me from the Barbados, which is from thence due to me, as the rest which belongeth to me; As also all my tackling about Cartagge, as Cartes yoakes &cr: and all tooles whatso Ever to me belonging; Also I doe bequeath unto my Saide wiffe duering her life, all my home stall, or dwelling place that I am at presant possessed with. As howses, and Barne, or Barnes, or out howsen goeing under what name so Ever, & the land with the Said howses: As also I doe give unto my Said wife dureing her said Liffe all my upland in Saxaffrax neck, as also all my meaddow at pomeconssett or that goeth under that name, as also I doe give unto my Saide wife all my Land which lieth in the Neck to make use of duering her life, and all my other Landes whereso Ever not before Expressed. And after her desease my will is that all the howses, & Landes before Expressed Shall goe or belong unto the forsaid Thomas ffield, or to his Heirs, or Assignes; or so many of the Said

howses or Barnnes, as shall be then Standing, Also I leave my wiffe my full & Lawfull Exsecutrix, both to pay my Debtes, as also to receive my debtes due to me from any, as also to se my Bodye decently Buried; Jn wittnesse of this my will I have Sett to my hand & Seale this one & Thirtieth day of May, and in the Yeare of Christ one Thousand, six hundred, Sixty ffive.

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered
in the presence of vs
Thomas Olney Senior
The marke X of Thomas
Angell
Thomas Olney Junior:

The
marke X of William
ffeild

Memorandum before these presentes were Sealed, his will is, that his Servant John Warner Shall Serve his Tyme out with his now Dame

A True Copie Copied June the third, 1665 ꝑ me Tho: Olney Junior Clarke of the Towne of providence;

This is aproved of ꝑ me
William Carpenter Asistant

The following paper relating to the estate of Resolved Waterman is copied from the original among the papers of the city now in the custody of the Rhode Island Historical Society, in Providence Town Papers, Vol. I, number 0238:

Providence 27 10^{d} 1676 (so calld This writing witnesseth, That, Whereas Resolued Waterman of Providence died intestate at Newport on Rode Jland in ye yeare (so calld) 1671: ye Towne Councjll of Providence then in being made a will in ye deceased Resolued Waterman his stead & agreed y^{t} ye Widow Mercy Waterman should enjoy ye Howse & howse Lot & the other Lands & Meadows & Cattell for her Majntenance & y^{e}

bringing vp of ye ye Orphans fiue small Children And whereas Samuel Windsor of Providence, & Mercy Waterman ye Widow are vnder publicatjon of Mariage & ye former Towne Councjll (by reason of hinderances) did not ꝑfect thejr Agreement with such Formalities of Signing Sealing & Recording as js vsual: We the present Towne Councjl judge jt fit & necessary y^{t} We testifie & declare our Concurrence & Agrement with ye former Agreem^{nt} of ye form^{r} Towne Councjl, although we are but few by reason of ye Sicknes of Some of vs & ye Absence of some & ye death allso of some of vs: Yet notwithstanding we agree with ye former Towne Council, a [ ] also | with | ye Wil & Testam^{nt} of ye Grand Father Richard Waterman viz: y^{t} js to say y^{t} Richard & Resolved Waterman shall enjoy betweene them ye Meadowes at Pawtuxet & ye Land & Meadow at Saxifrage with ye Commonage | to ye 4 mile line west | wch thejr Father bought of Robert West Jtem y^{t} John Waterman shall enjoy ye Land Meadow & Commonage at Warwick: & 20 Acres of vpland at Venture wch Resolued | his Father | bought of Robert West & ye 2 daughters Wajt & Mary Waterman shall haue the Land & Meadows & Commonage in ye New divisjon wch Resolued Waterman deceased bought of Robert West & for ye Land, Meadow & Commonage beyond the seuen mjle y^{t} jt shall be ye right of Richard & Resolued Waterm|an| Jtem y^{t} ye Executrix ye Widow Waterman shall pay fiue pound a piece to each of ye daughters Wajt & Mary W[ ]terman when they Come to ye Age of eighteen

Arthur ffenner Asistant [L S]
Roger Wjlljams [L S]
I approue all ye premises Thomas Arnold [L S]

[Endorsed]

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